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TELEGRAMS.

MEXICAN WAR.

GRAVE SITUATION.

[Reuter's Service To "The Telegraph"]

London, Received May 9.
Reuter's correspondent at Washington states that there was a sudden midnight conference at the War Office, owing to a despatch from General Funston to the effect that the situation at Mexico City is grave.

Refugees say that the collapse of the Huerta regime may be momentarily expected, and it is possible that anarchy may ensue. General Funston desires 60,000 troops to be equipped in readiness to make a dash for the rescue of foreigners.

A Mexican Complaint.

Reuter's correspondent at Mexico City states that the Foreign Office has complained to the mediators that the Americans are landing troops at Vera Cruz in violation of the armistice.

The mediators are taking up the matter with President Wilson.

Later.

Reuter's correspondent at Washington states that the War Office has decided to reinforce the American forces against the sea.

DUKE OF ARGYLL.

IMPRESSIVE FUNERAL SERVICE.

London, Received May 9.
The funeral service of the late Duke of Argyll in Westminster Abbey was attended by a vast congregation, which included His Majesty the King and Queen Alexandra and members of the Royal Family, as well as members of the Cabinet, Ambassadors, Peers, and representatives of the various nations.

AMERICAN NEWS.

Interesting Items From the Latest Mails.

It has been decided to give women police a trial in Pittsburgh. The Director of Public Safety there has announced the appointment of four such officers, the first in the city. They are to be attached to the Secret Service Division and their names are to be known to none except the Director and the officer to whom they will report. As to their duties, they will look after young girls coming to the city, investigate violations of the law in cafes where liquor is served to women, and in other ways look after women. It is not intended that they should have anything to do with violation of law by men.

The Unemployed Problem.
The unemployed problem is still engaging the attention of the authorities at New York, and on April 1 a second shipment of the workless left for farms under the supervision of the Department of Agriculture. The party consisted of forty persons, mostly families, and they were taken to Soda, Wayne County, three of the families being German. In addition to these there were Russian, Polish and American members in the party.

Arctic Expedition Delayed.
It is announced from San Francisco that Capt. Ronald Amundsen, discoverer of the South Pole, has postponed until 1915 the expedition to the Arctic regions.

TELEGRAMS.

ALSATIAN UNREST.

FRENCH EXPULSION?

[Reuter's Service To "The Telegraph"]

London, Received May 8.
Paris is disquieted by the receipt of a report that French residents in Alsace-Lorraine have been notified that their permits of residence will not be renewed at the end of the year, which is equivalent to expulsion. Though the report is officially denied at Strasbourg, German papers hint at the possibility of steps being taken to gradually exclude "foreign fomenters of trouble."

which he had planned to make this summer. His vessel, the *Kram*, has been delayed on her journey from Colon and cannot reach San Francisco in time to be fitted out for the start that was to have been made in July.

Chinese Tong War.
Extradition proceedings have been taken in Chicago in connection with a Chinese named Eng Hong who is charged with the murder of a fellow countryman named Mook Chung in that city in 1912. The murder is said to have resulted from a tong war and more than \$10,000 (gold) has been spent by the Hep Sing tong, of which the murdered man was a member, in the search for the alleged murderer, who has been arrested at Boston on the eve of his departure for China. He is said to have been a member of a rival tong, but was stated to have joined the Hep Sing as part of a plot to kill another man, a Chicago Chinese leader. It is reported that he became discouraged and killed Mook Chung when he could not find the man for whom he was searching.

The Anti-wine Order.
There is widespread indignation among naval officers at the announcement made by the Secretary of the Navy abolishing the wine mess on board U. S. warships. Mr. Daniels, however, defends his action by stating that it is simply applying the same regulation to the officers which at present governs the enlisted men. It is held by the officers, however, that to carry the order into effect would make the United States ridiculous when entertaining has to be done with foreign ships in port. Opinion generally inclines to the view that the order will not be enforced to the extreme limit.

Hotel for Working Girls.
A body of persons philanthropically inclined, has decided to erect a new hotel for working girls in New York. They have obtained a big plot of land for the purpose, situated one block south of the new General Post Office and the Pennsylvania Station. The hotel is to be a twelve-story structure and will be put up by the Hotel Irvin for Women, Inc., whose directors, including two ladies, have studied problems relating to the life of working girls. The proposed hotel is to accommodate about 400 girls.

For the Blind.
During the seven years of its existence the New York Association for the Blind has done magnificent work at what is known as the "Lighthouse" building in Fifty-ninth Street. It is, however, handicapped through lack of funds, and accordingly an appeal has been made by Mr. Joseph Choate, its President, for a sum of \$300,000 to pay off the mortgage of \$35,000 and to meet the Association's running expenses. Already some \$51,000 has been pledged on condition that the remainder is raised. When the Association began its work it had a debt of \$400, a list of 600 blind people, and no home. It has now on its list 10,000 names; it has been in touch with 7,000 blind people,

TELEGRAMS.

HOME RULE.

A TEMPORARY LULL.

[Reuter's Service To "The Telegraph"]

London, Received May 9.
It is stated authoritatively that there have been no conversations on Home Rule since Monday, and their resumption is not expected for the present.

Unionists attribute this to the uncompromising attitude of the Nationalists. and has three model equipped buildings, a workshop for blind men, a training station, an information bureau and sales room for the blind, and a vacation home for them. Numerous cases of blindness have been cured by the Association, which is doing a really noble work.

The Big Coal Strike.
The conference at Chicago between the operators and the officials of the United Mine Workers of America, for a settlement of the wages dispute, has failed, and on April 1 nearly 50,000 Ohio bituminous coal miners were forced into indefinite idleness as a result. It was feared, too, when the mail left, that 38,000 Pennsylvania miners would also be thrown out of work in consequence. It seems that the existing wage agreement expired on March 30, having been arrived at at a joint conference of miners and their masters in Cleveland in 1912. Negotiations were commenced in Philadelphia to secure better wages and other concessions but the demands were refused. Then the conference adjourned to Chicago, the miners modifying their demands, but conference has proved equally fruitless.

SHORT SERMON.

Suppose every word we spoke were to become incarnate and move about in our midst, a visible presence reflecting its own nature. With what kind of beings should we be populating the world, angelic or fiendish, gracious or repellent? Should we care to see our words if they were suddenly to visualize themselves in their appropriate flesh? Words do not become incarnate in this way, nevertheless they are mighty unseen ministers, ever at work, weaving nets of wickedness or robes of righteousness. There is a very striking phrase in the book of Jeremiah: "The fruit of the lips." The figure suggests that everything in life finds its supreme expression at the lips; as a tree culminates in the fruit, so life and character culminate in our speech. The state of the tongue is an index to the condition of our health; and, figuratively, the state of our tongue, the condition of our speech, is an index to the health or sickness of the soul.

A man's character may be inferred from his favourite and most prevailing words. What sort of words do we use? Are our biggest words the words that carry most of our desire and ambition? Are they materialistic words, dealing only with "the passing show," with "the garish day," with business or pleasure? Are they words which we shall no longer require when this life is over? Because there are piles of words, which will become obsolete when time is no more. Take these words from a sentence used by a man who had "pulled down his barns to build greater." "Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years. Take, therefore, eat, drink, be merry." How many of these words will survive? Goods, ease, eat, drink, merry—all those

TELEGRAMS.

SPANISH NAVY.

FINDING THE FUNDS.

[Reuter's Service To "The Telegraph"]

London, Received May 8.
Reuter's correspondent at Madrid reports that in the Chamber of Deputies the Minister of Marine introduced a Bill providing for an annual credit of £1,500,000 for nine years for the purposes of Naval construction.

will fly away with the flight of time. The only word which will survive from the sentence is the cardinal word "soul." Well, is this a suggestive example of the words which play the most prominent part in our daily speech, or are our big words not market words, not mere society words, but spiritual terms, packed with eternal significance?

There are words which can live in either clime, and will be at home on earth or Heaven. They will retain their content, independently of death, because they represent things that cannot fade, and that death itself is impotent to destroy. Recall some of the favorite words of the apostle Paul—grace, mercy, peace, love, joy, faith, salvation, glory. Not one of these will become obsolete when the earthly pilgrimage is finished. Or rehearse some of the favorite words of the Master: Life, love, faith, belief, eternal, know, bread. These are words which express eternal realities, and they will have significance in the eternal world.

So do I say that if our biggest words, the words we use to express our sense of the biggest things, were all set out before us in ranks, we should be able to infer something very vital and significant concerning the quality and movements of the inner life. By the fruit of our lips we stand revealed. "By the words thou shalt be justified, and by the words thou shalt be condemned."

A man's character may be inferred from the words he uses in speaking of others. There is a striking saying of Eugene Marbeau: "One judges a man more surely by what he says of others than by what others say of him." I think that sentence cuts very deep, and is a very clear and decisive expression of the truth. When we inspect a man's judgments we are virtually examining his character. A man's criticisms are windows through which we can look into his own soul. We reveal ourselves in the words in which we judge our fellows. When a man steps on to the judge's bench and begins to criticize his brother, it is not so much the prisoner at the bar who is turned inside out as the judge himself.

Judged, then, by my words of judgment, what am I like? Is my spirit magnanimous or pusillanimous? Am I concerned with little things or big things? Have I big views or petty views? Am I peeping around the corner of the blind, or are my blinds all up and the windows open, and am I facing life with noble candour? Do I stand revealed as a great soul in quest of a great God, or do I stand revealed like Bunyan's man with the muckrake? Am I peevish, or am I genial? Do my words reveal a querulous and petulant disposition, a fitful and ill-tempered? There are some words that are snappy and witty, like the shot from a Gatling gun. Such words tell us little about the victims of the shot, but they tell a great deal about the gunner. Whenever these sharp ill-natured words are fired it is the gunner who stands revealed. We placard our qualities in our criticisms. When we

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SHANGHAI COMPANY.

QUESTION IN COMMONS.

[Reuter's Service To "The Telegraph"]

London, Received May 8.
In the House of Commons, Sir J. D. Rees asked Sir Edward Grey if he had instructed Sir John Jordan to use his good offices on behalf of the British shareholders in the Anglo-French Investment Company of Shanghai, which was now passing into foreign hands.

Sir Edward Grey replied that there did not appear to be any reasons for the Minister's intervention.

deliver judgment the onlooker knows whether behind the words there is a vineyard or a vineyard.

Then again, a man's character may be inferred by his unhalloved, illegitimate use of words. For words may be made of spurious metal or they may be issued with light weight. A word may not represent the truth, but the untruth, and may thus reveal the untrue soul that minted it. Our Master warned us against this illicit use of speech. "Let thy yea be yea, and thy nay, nay." There has to be a scrupulous correspondence between the word and the thing which it represents. Every word is to be a just and precise expression of the truth. The positive "yea" is not to be impured with a bit of "nay" mixed up with it, and the negative "nay" is not to be adulterated with a bit of the positive concealed in it. There are to be no reservations in our speech; our words are to exactly tally with the things. And therefore does our Master teach us the sanctity of the measured word. When the "yea" is "yea," and the "nay" is "nay," we are defended against all falsehoods against all exaggerations, against all deceitful belittlements, against all ambiguities, against all Jesuitry where words are not intended to mean what they say. Scrupulous souls express themselves in scrupulous speech, and wherever words are used pervasively they reflect the perversity of the soul within.

How are we to avoid this mis use of the sacred gift of speech? First of all by the ministry of prayer. In the very second sentence of the prayer taught us by our Lord we are bidden to guard the sanctity of our speech. "Hallowed be Thy Name." We are not to use the Father's name lightly, cheaply, impairing its value by our indifference. We are to speak it with deep thoughtfulness, filling it with reverent significance. A man who begins by hallowing the name of God will hallow every word in his communion with God. And this sacred discipline will show its holy influence upon our common speech. Whenever prayer is profoundly real, every word being minted in sincerity, common speech will be speedily sanctified.

—And secondly, we are to achieve the sanctified use of words by a deeper consecration: "Take my lips." The sanctified life has often exceedingly narrow limits; it does not throw its claims round about the entire circuit of our days. And among the things that are commonly left out of the holy circle is the ministry of speech. The conscious and deliberate purpose to make our speech the home of holy aspiration will itself defend us from all impiety and from all the many guises of vanity and falsehood.

TELEGRAMS.

HOME RACING.

JUBILEE STAKES BETTING.

[Reuter's Service To "The Telegraph"]

London, Received May 9.
The betting for the Jubilee Stakes, to be run at Kempton Park to-day (Saturday) over a distance of a mile and a quarter, is as follows:—11 to 2 China Cook; 15 to 2 Junior; 8 to 1 Houseworthy; 10 to 1 the Curragh; and 20 to 1 Frue and Ocheerful.

The probable starters and jockeys are as follow:—Maiden Erleigh (Walter Griggs), Junior (W. Huxley), Ogar (Watson), Fairy King (E. Huxley), Great Sport (Wheatley), Tuxedo (Robbins), Roseworthy (Donoghue), Barrillon (Fox), Drummer (Spear), Frue (R. Cooper), China Cook (Wing), Bachelor's Wedding (Plant), Rattle Jack (R. Stokes), Braxted (Herbert), Bluesons (McKenna), Grey Barbarian (Barber), The Curragh (Prout), Cheerful (Young). The following are without jockeys at the moment:—Queen's Parade, Birlingham, Telsa Hill, and Finkle Bell.

The betting on the course is 1,400 to 200 Junior, and 500 to 40 the Curragh.

The Derby.

Latest betting on the Derby is 5 to 2 Kennymore; 9 to 2 The Potroch.

On the Kempton Park course the betting on the Derby is:—3,000 to 250 Ambassador, 3,000 to 45 Quixtus.

HOME CRICKET.

A DRAWN GAME.

London, Received May 9.
The match between the M.C.C. and Notts, at Lord's, was drawn.

ARMS AND AMMUNITION.

A Year's Seizures by the Hongkong Police.

During last year, seven licences to import and deal in arms and ammunition were issued by the police. During the whole year a proclamation was in force prohibiting the export of warlike stores from the Colony. The following arms and ammunition were confiscated during the year, viz:—

One hundred and forty-four Winchester rifles, 187 automatic pistols, 193 revolvers, 140,749 rounds ammunition; 10 daggers, 3 swords, 7 relling tools, 36 magazines, 16 bayonets, 2 knuckle dusters, 6 shot guns, 178 shot ammunition, 2,167 empty cylinders, 20 rifles incomplete, 1 mauler rifle, 1 H.M. rifle, 8 muskete, 1 two-barrelled pistol, 364 boxes primers, 1,524 boxes percussion caps, 100 blank ammunition, 1,131 sticks dynamite, 1 stick cheddite, 699 detonators, 251 bags saltpetre, 1 bag sulphur, 20 lbs. shot, 5 Winchester barrels, 4 breech-blocks, 12 butts, 10 springs, 1 machine gun and mounting, small quantity of powder, fuse and gun-cotton and a quantity of leather equipment.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

TELEGRAMS.

CONDENSED.

[Reuter's Service To "The Telegraph"]

M.O.C. and Notts drew at Lord's.

The Russian steamer *Svorno*, from Tsingtau to Hongkong, has put in at Shanghai, a fire.

Kempton Park course betting on the Jubilee Stakes and the Derby is given to-day.

The probable starters, jockeys and betting for the Jubilee Stakes are given to-day.

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Sir Edward Grey says there appears no reason for intervention on behalf of British shareholders of the Anglo-French Investment Co., now passing into foreign hands.

NEWS.

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"1899" will be found on page 4 of this issue.

The *Telegraph* Acrostic appears on another page.

"Our contemporaries" appears on page 2, and log book on page 9.

H.K. Volunteers meet the Police and Wardens in the final heat of the Soldiers' Club billiard tournament.

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TO-DAY.

Bijou Theatre 9.15 p.m.
Victoria Theatre 9.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Bijou Theatre 9.15 p.m.
Victoria Theatre 9.15 p.m.
Monday May 11.

China Fire Insurance Co. Ltd. Extraordinary General Meeting. Crown Land Sale P. W. D.—3 p.m.

Auction of right to quarry stone—P. W. D.—3 p.m.
Hippodrome Circus—Causeway Bay—9.15 p.m.

Thursday May 14.
H.K. Electric Co. Ltd. Meeting of Shareholders 11.30 a.m.

Wednesday May 15.
Sale of Ostrich feathers—G. P. Lammert's Sales Room.
Saturday May 16.

Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Co. Ltd. Extraordinary General Meeting—noon.

Boxing Theatre Royal.
Monday May 18.
Canton Insurance Office, Ltd. Meeting of Shareholders—11.30.
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Royal Hongkong Golf Club Annual General Meeting at Club House.

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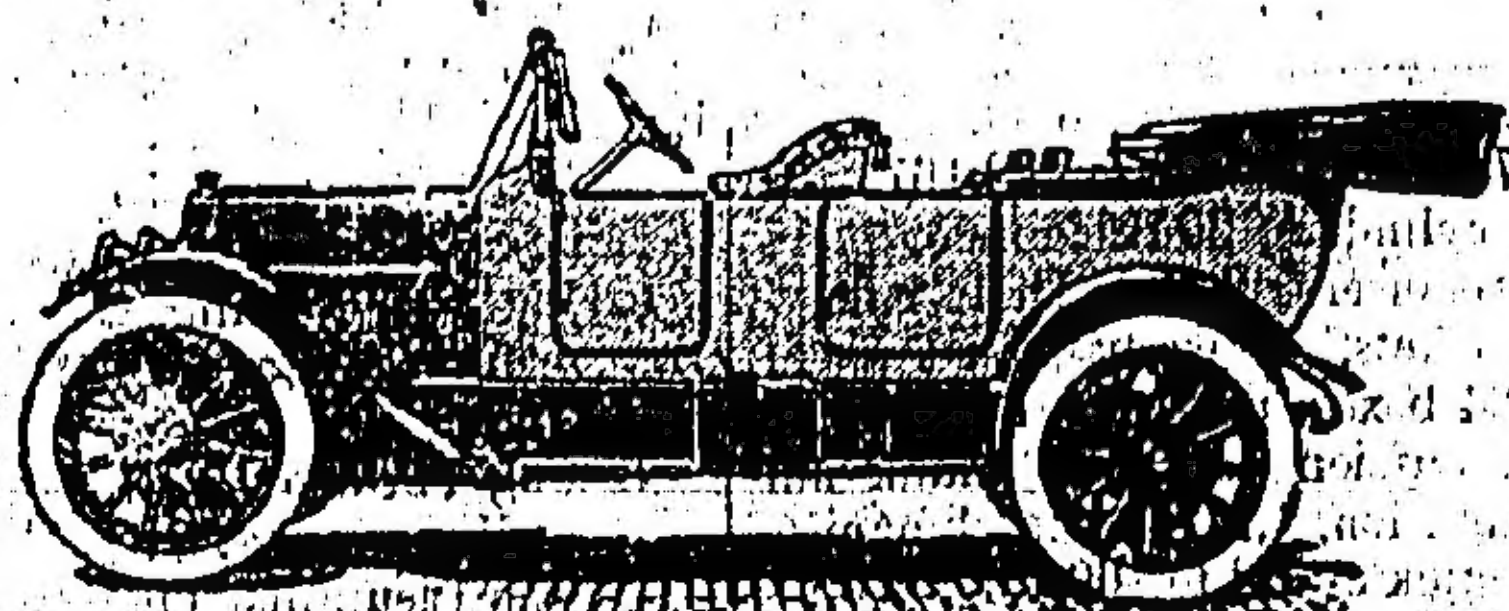
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Tai On Piracy.
It is difficult to see how the British Government could send armed Indian troops, as suggested in one quarter, to travel to and fro on West River steamers. Most of these vessels are Chinese-owned and have only the flag and, at most, three Britishers on board to give them the semblance of being British ships. Indian troops were not sent to Hongkong for such a purpose. Much has been said about the inefficiency of the naval patrol of the river. It is perfectly true no doubt that more gunboats might be placed on the river but it would require a flotilla to effectively police its 250 miles of navigable reaches. Practically the only duty the gunboats can fulfil is to keep a sharp lookout for suspicious-looking craft which might hold up and board a steamer en route.

China Mail.

Are Bigger Naval Guns Necessary?

Discussing this subject in a paper at the Institution of Naval Architects, Mr. T. G. Owens, the Naval Director of the Vickers Company, says that the 12-in. gun reached its highest efficiency when the length was 50 calibres; and when the 850 lb. projectile was given a muzzle velocity of 3000 ft. per second. Further advance in the power of the individual gun became possible only by increase in the calibre; with these the necessary energy at great ranges is attained in association with a lower muzzle velocity. The guns of the period of the battle of Tsushima were capable of penetrating with normal impact 13½ in. armour at the battle range of 5000 yards. Modern guns can do like execution at more than double the range. But consideration of guns and armour turns upon the probable decisive battle range at the time of the vessel's design. What is considered as the decisive battle range to-day? If curve length of danger zone be plotted a base of range for the 150 calibre and 15 in. guns corresponding length of 2300 yards at 7200 and 600 yards respectively; but if the improvement in range-finders and aiming mechanism, tending higher percentage of hits, taken into account, the range probably reach a higher figure still.

Daily Press.

Government Hospital Staffs.
The general policy of the Government not to supply extra members for filling vacancies caused through members to the staff being on leave is a policy which scarcely seems applicable to a hospital. In some Government departments work can often be postponed for a day, a week, or a month without great inconvenience, but in a hospital that is not possible. The staff may be "absolutely adequate" when all are available, but when some are on leave and others are laid aside by serious illness, as was the case last year, it is not incomprehensible that the Nursing Staff should have a grievance, or that hospital patients, present or prospective, should feel somewhat apprehensive. We think it a pity that the Government did not see its way to accept the Hon. Mr. Pollock's resolution, seeing that it was supported by all the Unofficial Members of Council present, and defeated only by the sheer weight of the Official Majority, without a single reason being advanced for their opposition. However, it makes for the preservation of public confidence in the Government Hospitals to know that the main purpose of the motion has been accomplished in that the Government has asked the Secretary of State to sanction the addition of three fully trained nurses to the staff.

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GENERAL NEWS.

Horrors of Solitary Confinement.

Rome, April 2. Prof. Saporito, Director of the Criminal Lunatic Asylum of Aversa, has made a report on the condition of the notorious brigand Musolino, who was condemned to forty years' imprisonment for twelve murders committed by him in the mountains of Calabria. He states that Musolino, who has now completed the ten years of solitary confinement included in the sentence, is now a harmless lunatic, obsessed with the idea that the German Emperor is collecting the forces of Europe to march to his help and place him on a throne.

Musolino was a man endowed by nature with a strong intellect, as well as being a physical Hercules. During his trial he resisted Dante and Tasso to his judges, and showed himself to be a man of great culture. The segregation in his semi-underground cell has completely ruined his mind. Solitary confinement in Italy means that the prisoner is confined for a term of years—not more than ten—in a cell 6 feet by 5 feet and 6 feet high. The only light is furnished by a small grating window high up in the wall, which also ventilates the cell. He is not allowed to speak except to ask for a doctor, and the warder is not allowed to speak to him. His parents are allowed to visit him once a year, and once a month he is permitted to take a walk for an hour in the prison yard.

Very few prisoners survive this treatment without losing their minds.

A Bible Reading.

Dr. Campbell Morgan, lecturing recently on "The Christ of the Evangelists," at Cemetery Road Church, Sheffield, arrested his audience by the statement that "the whole Bible may be read through at ordinary pulpit rate in sixty hours, or in six weeks, giving an hour and a half each day." In proof, Dr. Morgan told a good story. When staying in New York his host, the manager of the Manhattan Bank, challenged the doctor's statement. "I asked him to try it," said Dr. Morgan, humorously adding, "for it would at least get my friend through his Bible once." Some time after the banker met Dr. Morgan, and referring to the challenged statement, said: "You were wrong, you know! 'How far was I out?' asked the doctor. 'Twenty days,' said the manager, 'for I have read my Bible through from end to end, and it took me exactly forty hours.' 'But,' replied Dr. Morgan, 'I said at pulpit rate, not bank manager's rate!'" — *Y.M.C.A. Review.*

"A Contented Heart."

There was once a man who had a contented heart. No matter what happened to him he was satisfied with it. One day he was run over and both his feet were cut off. "Oh, well," said he, "they always were cold, anyway." — *Aletta F. Dean, in The Atlantic Monthly.*

The "Airle Drum."

It is rumoured that Lord Airlie wishes to dispose of Cortachy Castle, his principal seat in Fife-shire. If the rumour be correct, Lord Airlie would be left practically without a residence in the county, as his other place, Airlie, is occupied by the Dowager Lady Airlie, his grandmother.

Many romantic memories and legends cling round Cortachy besides that of the world-famed "Airle drum" which is said to be heard before a death in the family. No one, however, has actually seen the ghostly drum-boy, who beats his drum in revenge for having been hurried from the Castle wall to his death fastened inside his instrument. A more recent story is the incident which is said to have occurred when the flag that floats over Cortachy was being hauled down at sunset on the eventful day that saw the battle of Diamond Hill. The flag suddenly stuck at half-mast, and before it could be unhitched the news came that Lord Airlie had been killed.

IRISH CHEERS FOR BRITISH REVERSES.

Magersfontein Incident Recalled.

Mr. J.G. Swift MacNeill, M.P., writes to the *Times*:—"May I take advantage of the lull for a few hours in the strife of tongues to give at long last the explanation of an incident of which party capital has for many years been made—'he cheers alleged to have been given in the House of Commons by Irish members for the wounds and the capture of Lord Methuen? Lord Methuen himself, in the House of Lords the other day, revived this charge, which he put in a concrete form. 'We (the Army) have been insulted,' he said. 'God knows I can speak for myself. When I was lying wounded on the ground ringing cheers came at my defeat and discomfiture. We are not likely to forget that.'"

It is true, and I have always deplored it, that when the announcement that Lord Methuen had been captured by the Boers was made in the House of Commons I cheered derisively, under circumstances I will mention, the Secretary of State for War. It is untrue that I cheered for the capture of Lord Methuen, and the statement that there was any cheer at the announcement which was made after the announcement of his capture that he was wounded, is a very shameful calumny, since that announcement was received with a manifest sympathy which I and actual expression on the Irish benches. Now, as regards this most unfortunate cheer, which was it should be remembered, the one instance during the whole course of a war which is referred to by many British reverses, to whose policy we were bitterly opposed, in which there had been any manifestation whatever on the Irish benches capable of being construed into an exhibition of gratification at a British reverse. The cheer was not general, but was confined to a very few members; it was immediately checked and repudiated by the leaders of the Irish party, to whom I then gave the explanation I give to the public to-day.

Ever since the Magersfontein disaster (which was not cheered) I had, not on personal, but on public grounds, in the interests of the officers and men—many of them Irishmen—whose lives were in jeopardy—criticized the retention of Lord Methuen in command. When, after the failure of the Northern Expedition, his capture, which I regarded as a vindication of my criticism, was announced, I was betrayed into a derisive cheer, not indeed at Lord Methuen's discomfiture, nor by way of insult to the Army, in which some of my nearest relatives and dearest friends have served, but at the ineptitude and indifference to the interests of the Army itself manifested by the War Office authorities of the day.

I have borne this calumny for many years in silence, because I felt that no one—however bitter his political antagonism to me may be—could believe me to be capable of an offence so grievous against humanity as that of cheering for the defeat and wounds and sufferings of gallant

men, and I trust that the incident to which such an impression is due may now, even for party or partisan purposes, be buried by an act of oblivion.

Mr. Robin Greene writes:—"To prevent 'misunderstanding' all round and in fairness both to Mr. MacNeill and to the general public I quote the account of the incident as published by a distinguished Liberal journalist (Sir Henry Lucy) in his 'Diary of Toby, M.P.' on March 19, 1902:—"House of Commons, Monday, March 10, 1902."

"Man and boy I've sat in the House of Commons for 30 years; have seen and heard many things in my time; remember nothing so painful as the ghoul-like ecstasy of Irish members to-night at news that the gallant Methuen, after two years' hard fighting day and night, is wounded, defeated, a prisoner, his men dispersed, his guns and baggage captured."

"In the House of Commons to-night Englishmen and Scotsmen with the exception of the insensitive cry of shame that rose to their lips when the Irish members gleefully danced round the dead and wounded on the veldt between Tweebosch and Palmietkruis, sat in proud, pained silence."

"When Brodrick approached the table it was evident from his manner that he had portentous news. Instantly crowded House was hushed in attitude of strained attention. Who could tell? It might be a message harbinger of peace. The opening sentence of Kitchener's dispatch dispelled illusion. With soldier-like directness he went straight to the point: 'Bad news about Methuen.' Then blow after blow fell the grim story. Methuen wounded and a prisoner, guns and baggage taken; mounted troops in flight for four miles, with Boers riding hard at their heels."

"This quite too much for the Irish gentry. They also nearly died of laughter. The most moving episode in striking scene was where Brodrick came to read the list of killed and wounded. British members baring their heads, leaned forward breathless, fearing to catch the name of some old friend or comrade. Even when appeared this shock, there was a sharp feeling of pain at the thought of all the syllables would mean in some quiet home."

"Meanwhile the Irish members had quite a merry quarter of an hour."

Comment is unnecessary. Readers who are capable of understanding will understand.

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Snow Hill Station.

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OUR RAILWAY.

When the Hongkong Government entered upon the task of building the Kowloon-Canton Railway there were not wanting critics who declared that the undertaking would not only prove unremunerative, but would become a financial burden to the Colony. Happily, however, time has proved these prophets of evil to have been woefully at sea in their calculations. From the date of the opening of the line right up to the present, the record of the Railway has been one of steady and consistent progress, and to-day the prospects before it are brighter than ever they have been. Not only is the enterprise our biggest revenue-earning undertaking; it bids fair to become the most successful source of income which the Colony possesses. That is looking ahead, of course, for it will be many years yet before the extremely heavy capital expenditure—totalling, up to the end of last year, no less than \$13,459,227.43—is wiped out and the earnings of the Railway are available for the relief of rates and taxes. But that day will come if, as there seems every reason for believing, the present measure of progress is maintained.

The latest report on the working of the undertaking is that for 1913, which was laid before the Legislative Council on Thursday. This disclosed a most satisfactory state of affairs; and one which reflects the utmost credit on all concerned with the Railway. If we take the statement of revenue and expenditure as shown in the Revenue Account for the year, we see that the total earnings come to the satisfactory figure of \$333,632.22, which is an increase of no less than \$1,984.30 over the previous year. Against this the expenditure is shown to be \$245,808.58, and there is thus a balance of \$87,823.64, which represents a clear average monthly profit of well over \$7,000. The main line traffic, both through and local, is responsible for this gratifying state of affairs—indeed, this section has not only made a handsome profit, but has also covered a deficit on the branch line of over \$4,000 and yet left the big sum named in the way of net earnings. The branch line showed an increase in takings compared with the previous twelve months, but this was much more than swallowed up in items of expenditure which are in the nature of extraordinary outgoings and ought not to recur.

It is the passenger traffic which is producing practically all the income of the Railway, and the figures contained in the abstracts show how the advantages of railway travel are being increasingly appreciated by the Chinese in particular. Goods traffic is very slowly developing, but in the future, more especially when the connection is made with the Canton-Hankow line, there should be a much bigger return from this source. One feature to be especially noted is that the working expenses, when compared with gross receipts, are being steadily reduced, which shows that the administration is conducted on sound and economical lines. The report, too, shows that the Railway is served by a capable and efficient staff, under whose efforts altogether admirable results are being attained. The Railway, in fact, is one of the very few Government enterprises which inspires the community generally with the belief that it is in hands which may be safely reckoned upon to make the most of the opportunities as they come along.

Shanghai and the Banishment.

We observe from a recent report of the Captain Superintendent of Police there, that Shanghai is experiencing some difficulty with a class of criminals which gives the police in Hongkong a deal of trouble—namely the returned banished. An attempt has been made, it is said, to re-introduce deportation, a form of punishment which was abandoned some ten years ago. In most cases the criminals have been handed over to the local Chinese authorities for deportation to their native places, but these authorities have not as a general rule seen fit to comply with the requests of the Mixed Court in this matter, and many cases have occurred in which deportees have been found in the Settlement shortly after sentence, having been liberated by the Chinese authorities. In Hongkong, though not from the same cause, we are very well acquainted with this little habit of deportees turning up just after expulsion from the Colony.

A New Experiment.

Past methods having proved ineffectual, Shanghai is to try a new experiment, namely Suspension of Sentence. By this system a man is charged with returning to the Settlement after having been expelled therefrom, and is sentenced to a term of imprisonment, but the sentence is suspended on condition that should the prisoner again be arrested in the Settlement the original sentence will be added to any imposed on this occasion. It is hoped that the fact of a sentence hanging over his head will induce a criminal to keep away from the Settlement. If we are to judge from Hongkong's experience, however, this hope is not too well founded. Here the returned criminal is invariably sentenced to a year's hard labour on making his reappearance, and it may be taken for granted that he knows very well that he runs the danger of such a sentence. Yet the number of those who come back is legion.

Appreciated when Missed.

There is an old saying to the effect that one never fully appreciates the virtue of anything until it is lost. We are afraid that the people of Kowloon did not realise the full value of the Military band that played opposite the mess on the water front until after the regiment that supplied the band had left the Colony. On Tuesday and Friday each week many people found a pleasant evening's enjoyment in strolling along the waterfront whilst the band played in front of the mess during dinner, and though the band was appreciated it never was valued at its full until it was gone. This appears a little paradoxical, but nevertheless it is true. Now there is no band—at least for the time being—and the residents on the other side of the water miss it very much indeed. They hope however that the want will not be felt for long.

Conduct of the Police.

The Captain Superintendent's report on the conduct of the Police Force, during 1913 is not at all bad one, though it is not quite so good as that of the previous year. Especially is this the case as regards the European section. There were 72 reports made against European officers as against only 47 in 1912. Of these reports 12 were for being drunk or under the influence of drink as against 10 in 1912, 6 for sleeping on duty as against 2, and 2 for neglect of duty as against 5. On the whole, therefore, the balance of favour is against 1913. Much the same tale is told of the Indian contingents against whom there were 440 reports, out of a total strength of 472. Against 241 men there was no report, so that about half of the men had an average of two reports against each. It is satisfactory to note that there was an improvement in the behaviour of the Chinese section of the force. Even then, however, there were 906 reports against the 578 men. For sleeping on duty there were 117 reports, which most people will quite believe.

DAY BY DAY

IF SIMPLICITY OF HEART IS AN ESSENTIAL CONDITION OF RESPECT, SIMPLICITY OF LIFE IS ITS BEST SCHOOL. WHATEVER MAY BE THE STATE OF YOUR FORTUNE, AVOID ANYTHING WHICH COULD MAKE YOUR CHILDREN THINK THEMSELVES MORE OR BETTER THAN OTHERS. Wagner.

The Weather.
Lower level 8 a.m. Temp 77; rain.
At the Peak 8 a.m. Temp 69; heavy fog.

The Mails.
American Mail.—Due per a.s. Chiyo Maru to-day at noon.
English Mail.—Closed per a.s. Assaye at 11 a.m. to-day.
Siberian Mail.—Closed per a.s. Korea at 11 a.m. to-day.
Siberian Mail.—Closes per a.s. Chenan at 5 p.m. to-day.
The English Mail of April 11 was delivered in London yesterday.

To a Correspondent.
J.W.M.—Your letter cannot be published except you forward your name.

The Opium Evil.
Last year the Hongkong police executed 282 warrants for the keeping of opium divans, against 116 in 1912.

Our Beggars.
During last year 48 beggars were dealt with by the magisterial courts in Hongkong, and 192 others were sent to Canton.

The Dumping Evil.
During last year 402 bodies were found dumped in the streets of the Colony, compared with 537 for the previous year.

Lost Property.
Last year there were 412 articles reported as lost to the police; of the value of \$25,710.35; and 74 articles of the value of \$5,651.44 were recovered.

Dogs.
Six more dogs, found straying in the streets without visible means of subsistence, were yesterday sent to the Dogs' Home at Causeway Bay.

Brass hinges.
A Chinaman was fined \$20 at the Police Court, for being in unlawful possession of four brass hinges at Wanchai. The alternative was fourteen days.

Larceny of Water Pipes.
At the Police Court, Mr. Wood sentenced a Chinese to six months imprisonment for the larceny of water pipes the property of the Government. The man was caught breaking up the pipes at Wong-nei-cheong.

Our Dogs.
There were 1,925 dogs licensed in Hongkong last year; 137 watch dogs were licensed free of charge; 94 stray dogs were impounded, of which 72 were sent to the Dog's Home and the other 12 destroyed.

Died in the Street.
A Chinese woman, aged 82 years, who resided at 17 For Seen Street, died yesterday outside No. 282 Queen's Road Central. She was at the time on her way to the Tung Wah Hospital, accompanied by her daughter-in-law. The Tai Koo Bowling Club will be "at home" this afternoon at 3.30, when a match will be played against the Police. Members of other similar clubs will be welcomed.

Finances of Canton.
Mr. Tan Hsueh-kuei, Adviser of the Cabinet Office, has been appointed by the Ministry of Finance to institute a close investigation into the financial condition of the province of Kwangtung with a view to adjusting the financial fundamentals. Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.

The Kailan Mining Administration report that the Chinese Engineering and Mining Co., Ltd., has declared an interim dividend of 5 per cent, free of income tax on account of the year ending June 30, 1914, payable on May 15.

Left for Home.
Among the passengers who passed through for Home by the a.s. Assaye to-day was Mr. A. W. U. Pope, the late General Manager of the Shanghai-Nanking Railway. Before he left Shanghai he was given a farewell reception by Chinese merchants, and the opportunity was also taken of presenting Mr. Pope with a gold medal, subscribed by members of the Chambers of Commerce of Shanghai, Soochow, Wusieh, Chinkiang and Nanking, and a suitably inscribed scroll by the Chinkiang Chamber.

1889.

HONGKONG TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO.

Compiled from the "Hongkong Telegraph" files for the Week Ending May 9, 1889.

The Dollar.
May 3.—The rate of the dollar on demand on this date was 2s. 11. 7-8d.

"Venus" in Court.
May 3.—At the Summary Court this morning Mr. A. G. Wise, Acting Puisne Judge, heard a case in which Venus, with an American twang, was cited at the instance of her cook and compadre for the settlement of their little accounts. The coolie's case was that when gentlemen friends called to supper he was allowed fifty cents extra per head for purveying, and in support of his statement he offered to give a list of recent visitors. A titter of expectation rippled round the Court, even the Judge and the King of Siam smiled, but the offer was ignored. Venus was, of course, victorious and swept out of the Court radiant.

Emigration Abuses.
May 4.—In a long leading article of the day dealing with abuses of the Emigration Regulations, appears the following:—"British Consuls like Mr. Chaloner Alabaster at Canton and Mr. R. J. Forrest at Amoy, have done their best to promote the higher instincts of a common humanity, and it is regrettable to find their labours nullified by the laxity of our colonial laws. The chief responsibility for this disgraceful condition of things we attribute to culpability and supineness of the Bowen-Marsh administrations, but trust that Sir William Des Vieux will prove equal to the occasion and do his utmost to prevent such a foul blot attaching to the fair fame of this Colony."

Steamer Fares.
May 4.—Reference is made on this date to the "exorbitant fares charged for first-class passengers by the steamers running between here and Canton and Macao." The comment concludes as follows:—"Two dollars for a single fare to Macao or Canton and three dollars return, would be ample, and this scale, we are quite sure, would give general satisfaction and at the same time increase the passenger receipts of the steamers. And for the convenience of residents in Canton and Macao, merchants and shippers who so materially assist in providing cargo, and who are making frequent journeys between the three ports, season tickets should be issued at reasonable rates. The position of the river steamer companies is not so impregnable that they can afford to ignore the convenience of their constituents in the obstinate fashion which has for so long been the subject of general comment and adverse criticism."

"If Chinamen Really go to Heaven."
May 6.—A young silversmith working in one of the native jewellers in Queen's Road Central felt homesick yesterday, and tried to raise the price of his passage. Being in debt, he was sordidly repulsed by his master, so he quietly walked over to his bench, on which was some arsenic used in the work, and took a full-grown dose. If Chinamen really go to Heaven, he is wearing white wings now.

Council Member.
May 6.—The temporary appointment of Mr. Bendyshe Layton to be an unofficial member of the Legislative Council during the absence of Mr. A. Palmer McEwen, has been confirmed by the Queen.

Hongkong Land Investment.
May 6.—The wonderful amount of confidence the Hongkong community has in the stability and bona fides of the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company was strongly evidenced on Saturday, when it was found that the applications for the new issue of twelve thousand and five hundred shares amounted to the large number of forty-nine thousand. It is expected that the allotments will be completed within a week from this date.

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The licences issued by the Hongkong police last year included the following:—

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673 Hongkong Chaires.
60 Hill District Chaires.
5,880 Drivers.
2,932 Chair bearers.
4,998 Extra drivers and Chair bearers.
1,268 Truck licences.
13 Private Vehicles.
29 Motor Cars.
45 Motor Car drivers.
4 Motor Cycle drivers.
15 Billiard Tables or Bowling Alleys.
222 Licences to shoot and take Game.
318 Money Changers.
91 Pawnbrokers.
7,920 Hawkers.

Company Report.

May 7.—The report of Messrs. A. S. Watson and Co., Ltd., for the year 1888 states that the net profits of the Company, after providing for all bad and doubtful debts and including \$411.47 brought forward from the previous year, amounted to \$65,481.63. An interim dividend of 6.1-2 per cent. had been paid and it was now proposed to pay a further dividend of the same amount, to carry to the Permanent Reserve Fund a sum of \$5,000, the same amount to the Reserve Fund to meet contingencies or for equalising dividends, and \$5,000 to a General Insurance Fund, leaving a balance of \$1,081.63 to be carried forward. The report of the Richmond Terrace Estate and Building Co., Ltd. (John D. Humphreys general manager) for 1888 stated that as the Company had now commenced to work an increase in its capital would from time to time be necessary; \$66,700 additional capital would be sufficient for the present. The net profit, including \$748.03 brought forward, amounted to \$5,952.78 out of which it was proposed to pay a dividend of 14 per cent., and to carry forward \$1,200.74.

1889.

SHARE REPORT.

The quotations which follow are from the "Hongkong Telegraph" for May 9, 1889.
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.—172 per cent, premium, buyers.
Union Insurance Society of Canton.—\$110 per share, sellers.
China Traders Insurance Company.—\$70 per share, sellers.
North China Insurance.—\$110 per share, ex div. buyers.
Canton Insurance Company, Ltd.—\$130 per share.
Yangtze Insurance Association.—\$100 per share.
Chinese Insurance Company.—\$180 per share, sellers.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company.—\$375 per share, buyers.
China Fire Insurance Company.—\$87 per share, buyers.
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company.—93 per cent, premium, sellers.
Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company.—\$274 per share, sellers.
China and Manila Steamship Company.—\$140 per share, sellers.
Hongkong Gas Company.—\$135 per share, sellers.
Hongkong Hotel Company.—\$200 per share, buyers.
Indo-China S.N. Company.—par, sellers.
Douglas Steamship Company.—\$83, per share, buyers.
China Sugar Refining Company, Ltd.—\$220 per share, sellers.
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Ltd.—\$110 per share, sellers.
Hongkong Ice Company.—\$125 per share, buyers.
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.—\$120 per share, nominal.
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company.—\$193 per share, sellers.
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co.—\$14 per share, buyers.

HONGKONG FIRE BRIGADE.

Report of the Superintendent for Last Year.

The report of Mr. O. Mc I. Messer, Superintendent of Fire Brigade, for 1913 states:

There were 13 fires and 75 incipient fires during the year against 31 and 93 in 1912. The estimated damage caused by fires was \$223,615 and by incipient fires \$1,033.80 as against \$281,005 and \$4,732.50 in 1912. The Brigade turned out 46 times during the year (52 in 1912). There was constant supply of water in the fire mains throughout the year.

One fire occurred in the harbour during the year. There were no prosecutions for arson during the year.

There are 32 despatch boxes kept in different places in Victoria and 12 in Kowloon, 8 different telephones to which the Police can have access to communicate with the Central Station in the event of a fire, and 16 Street Fire Alarms of which 3 are at the Peak. The fire Alarms were used only once, and in that case by the public.

The conduct of the Brigade has been good.

New Engines Needed.

Mr. D. Macdonald, engineer of the Fire Brigade, reporting on land steamers Nos. 2, 4 and 5 (Central Station) and land steamer No. 3 (Yaumati), says:—"These engines have all been overhauled during the year, regularly tested at monthly drills for firemen and drivers and are in good working order but are nearly worn out and could not be depended upon for a big fire of say 18 or 24 hours duration. I am, therefore, of opinion that a Motor Fire Engine should be ordered which would replace Nos. 2 and 4 Land Engines and be much more effective to combat a fire."

INCONSIDERATE EMPLOYERS.

Others Besides the Government at Fault.

We are heartily in accord with the opinions expressed by the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., at Thursday's meeting of the Legislative Council, in regard to the overworking of employees in this trying climate and the duty of employers to, as far as possible, ameliorate the conditions under which they work; and the Government is not the only employer who needs to take Mr. Pollock's words to heart. There are others in the Colony who show even less consideration for their employees' well-being. For instance, we know of a European woman who has been working in Hongkong for over 2 1/2 years (her employer being also a European woman) under conditions which cannot be described as reasonable. During the two summers which she has spent here, she has worked from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (and very frequently until considerably later) in a small workshop, in which there are also a number of Chinese workmen, varying from a dozen to twenty, and no matter how hot the weather—neither fan nor punkah has ever been provided to cool the atmosphere. Further, she has been forced to work on the greater part of the public holidays occurring since her arrival (on one occasion last year, because she dared to absent herself from work on a Bank Holiday, she received a letter from her employer's solicitor, accusing her of breach of contract and threatening her with instant dismissal in the event of a repetition of the "offence") and the whole of every Saturday afternoon. Add to this that there is no provision made in the place for ordinary sanitary necessities and it will be seen that the nursing sisters in the Government service are not the only sufferers from lack of consideration on the part of employers, and that there are others who have no member of the Legislative Council to champion their cause. The employer to whom we refer is not British.

QUARANTINE RESTRICTIONS.

Hongkong and Netherlands-India.

The Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce sends us a copy of a letter received from the Consul General for Netherlands India on 23rd ult. abolishing the quarantine restrictions imposed on Hongkong by Netherlands India on April 17, 1912, and a copy of a further letter dated 8th instant which rescinds the Order of 23rd ult. and brings the restrictions of April 17, 1912, again into operation.

Consulaat-Generaal der Nederlanden Voor Zuid-China.

Hongkong, 23rd April, 1914.

Referring to my communication of 17th April, 1912, No. 404, I have the honour to inform you to have received notice from the Netherlands-Indian Civil Medical Service that the operations mentioned in the aforesaid letter and for which the doctor's firm Jordan, Forsyth, Groene and Aubrey granted certificates, have been abolished and that ships found to be free of contagious diseases (plague free ships), without proved cases of plague on board and without extraordinary mortality amongst the rats on board, which have visited the port of Hongkong, declared to be infected with plague, may be admitted immediately to free pratique in the Netherlands-Indian ports of the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd class, if by a medical inspection made in these last ports it is proved that these ships are found to be free of infection and provided that the masters of ships, whose cargo entirely or partly consists of rice and which have been un-ratted and claytonised after taking in their cargo and immediately before their departure from Hongkong, present at arrival in a Netherlands Indian port to the Harbour-master a certificate issued to that effect by a doctor or doctor's firm at Hongkong appointed by me, which certificates have to be legalsed by me or in my name.

Of course every vessel on arrival in a Netherlands-India port from Hongkong, declared plague-infected, must fly the quarantine flag.

Yours faithfully,
(Sgd.) DE REUS.

Consul General.

The Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, Hongkong.

Consulaat-Generaal der Nederlanden Voor Zuid-China.

Hongkong, 8th May, 1914.

A case of plague having occurred on board a vessel after arrival in a Netherlands-Indian Port from Hongkong the Netherlands-Indian Medical Service has decided to rescind the Resolution the contents of which I had the honour to communicate to you in my letter of 23rd April last, No. 423, and to put into force again the sanitary measures mentioned in my letter of 17th April, 1912 No. 404.

Yours faithfully,
(Sgd.) DE REUS.

Consul General.

To The Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, Hongkong.

BILLIARDS.

Soldiers' Club Tournament.

In the two last games in the semi-final heat of this competition, played last night, the "A" Team of the R. E. managed to save the "alam", and to reduce their opponents' winning margin by 100 points. The chief feature of yesterday's play was a break of 40 by Lt. Heath. This is the third highest of the tournament, the other two being 50 by Sgt. Pitt (Police) and 44 by Bandmaster Roberts (D.O.L.L.).

Scores:

H. K. Volunteers	...	215
Mr. Hedley	...	179
S. M. Rodgers	...	179

Total	...	394
R. E. "A" Team	...	250
Sgt. Pitt	...	250
Lt. Heath	...	250

Total	...	500
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The total scores are: Volunteers 1894; R. E. "A" Team 1049, so that the former qualify by a margin of 245 to meet the H. K. Police and Warders in the final heat.

SPECIAL CABLES.

(From Our Own Correspondent).

HONGKONG-BOUND STEAMER AFIRE.

PUTS IN AT SHANGHAI.

Shanghai, Received May 9. The Russian steamer Svorno, from Tsingtau to Hongkong, has put in here, being afire.

The Brigades worked all day long but did not succeed in extinguishing the flames. They are now flooding the vessel.

It is believed to be a case of spontaneous combustion of peanuts.

The whole of one hold is burnt out.

[The s.s. Svorno belongs to Messrs. Zvonov and de Poloni, of Mariupol, Russia, and is chartered by the Northern Steamship Company, of St. Petersburg, whose agents at Shanghai and Hongkong are Messrs. Bradley and Company. The vessel was bound from Vladivostok to Black Sea ports.]

(Special Pacific Service, by the "Telegraph"—Router.)

POSTS FOR MANCHUS.

FOLLOWING OLD CUSTOM.

Peking, Received May 8. San Pao-chi has recommended the establishment of two Vice-Ministers on each Board. It is believed that at least several of the additional Vice-Ministers will be Manchus as was the case during the Ching regime when there were two Vice-Ministers on each Board, one invariably being a Manchu.

Princes Ching, Pa-lan and Natung are mentioned for high posts in the near future.

SALT INDUSTRY.

MERCHANTS COMPLAIN AT CANCELLATION OF PERMITS.

Peking, Received May 8. The salt merchants who are arriving in Peking state that they refuse to accept monetary compensation for the cancellation of the salt permits which is the death blow of a monopoly they have enjoyed for generations.

THE "TELEGRAPH'S" ACROSTIC.

PILLARS.
North Point? Stay-at-home, you say.
Scatters then? Deepwater Bay?
BARS.
1. A bumbost woman; but the ballad yields.
A golden fragrance from our English fields.
2. Persian Wood-carver caught a Magic word:
Two score bandits rused the day he heard.
3. Ah, could the finish be more racy here.
The priesthood would be governors I fear.
4. Oldtime barometer in Canton comes to harm.
To give us gaude instead of days of calm.
5. No sparkling pair here pay a visit.
That's not so egotistical, is it?
6. Creosote should hold no place.
In beverage that the gods would grace.
7. Chronometers his pride were, we are told.
And compasses; but rarely old sol sold.
[Answer on Monday.]

HIPPODROME CIRCUS.

Byasack's Hippodrome Circus is not to open till Monday. It is not due in the Colony till this afternoon, the vessel on which the company is travelling having gone to Swatow from Bangkok instead of coming here direct. The show therefore will not open till Monday night. Col Love informs us that he has arranged with the Tramway Company to run late cars every evening for the convenience of patrons of the circus.

Sewing Machine Stolen.
A Chinese umbrella maker, of 17 Mercer Street, reports to the police that, between 6 a.m. and 10 p.m. on the 8th inst., a sewing machine, valued \$40 was stolen from his shop. He suspects one of his foks, who has absconded.

HOME FOOTBALL.

Result of Latest League Matches.

The results of the Home football matches played on April 18 are as follows:—

First League.
Middlebrough 4, Liverpool 0.
Manchester City 4, Burnley 1.
Preston N.E. 1, Derby County 0.
Sunderland 2, Chelsea 0.
Bradford City 1, Manchester United 1.

Sheffield United 2, Newcastle U.O. 0.
Villa 2, Spurs 0.
West Bromwich 1, Sheffield Wed. 1.

Blackburn Rovers 2, Oldham 1.
Everton 1, Bolton 1.

Second League.
Blackpool 2, Stockport County 2.
Hull 1, Fulham 0.
Glossop 2, Notts Forest 1.
Arsenal 2, Clapton Orient 2.
Barnsley 2, Wolves 1.

Bury 1, Leicester Fosse 1.
Birmingham 2, Bristol City 2.
Bradford 3, Lincoln City 0.
Huddersfield 2, Notts County 1.
Leeds City 1, Grimsby 0.

Southern League.
Bristol Rovers 1, Millwall 1.
Palace 3, Norwich 0.
West Ham 1, Brighton 1.
Cardiff City 2, Rangers 0.
Reading 1, Gillingham 0.
Southend 1, Plymouth 0.
Coventry 3, Watford 0.

Northampton 2, Southampton 1.
Swindon 1, Exeter 0.

Rugby.
Birkenhead Park 25pts, Leicester 0.
Northampton 6pts, Cheltenham 5pts.

Gloucester 10pts, Bath 3.
Exeter 39pts, Bristol Saracens 5.
Coventry 13pts, Moseley 0.
Cardiff 13pts, Llanelli 0.
Newport 8pts, Devon Albion 0.
Bedford 18pts, London Welsh 0.
Swansea 7pts, Bridgend 0.
Bridgwater Albion 3pts, Penarth 0.

Stolen Property.
According to the police report for last year, the estimated value of property stolen during the year was \$276,213.61 as against \$473,476.77 in 1912, a decrease of \$197,263.16. The average for the last five years is \$297,143.24. The value of property recovered and restored to owners was \$70,004.00 as against \$43,210.21 in 1912, an increase over property recovered in the previous year of \$26,793.79.

DAIRY FARM NEWS.

BUTTER. BUTTER.

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TO THE PUBLIC.

Owing to the extraordinary demand for the Telegraph Mail Supplement last week and to the fact that numerous late orders could not be fulfilled it has been decided to reprint the story of the Tai On piracy and issue it as an EXTRA to this week's Telegraph Mail Supplement. The full story of the affair, together with the proceedings at the Court of Inquiry and an account of the Standard Oil Company's big oil tank fire at Lai-Chi-kok, will be given in the EXTRA. Attached to the cover of the Telegraph Mail Supplement is a photograph of the vessel as she lies behind Stonecutter's Island. Orders for copies of this week's Telegraph Mail Supplement should be sent to the office of the Telegraph as early as possible.

To-day's Advertisements

TOYO RISEN KAISHA.

ss. "CHIYO MARU"

From SAN FRANCISCO, via HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS, AND SHANGHAI.

The above named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of cargo from alongside.

Cargo remaining undelivered on May 11th, at noon will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense and delivery must then be taken from the Company's Godown.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

No claim will be recognised after the Goods have left the Steamer or Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered on May 16th at 5 p.m., in the afternoon will be subject to rent & landing charges.

All chafed and otherwise damaged Cargo to be left on board or Godown and examination of same to be held on May 16th at 10 a.m.

All Claims must be filed on or before May 23rd, otherwise they will not be recognised.

S. MORIMOTO, Agent.
Hongkong, 9th May 1914.

THE CHINA BORNEO CO. LIMITED.

DURING my absence from the colony Mr. H. W. Kennett has been appointed Acting Manager of the above Company at Hongkong.

THE CHINA-BORNEO Co. Ltd.
W. D. Jupp, Manager, Hongkong

Notices

NOTICE.

ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club will be held at the Club House at Happy Valley, on Monday the 18th day of May, 1914 at 5.30 o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the Year ended 31st December, 1913.

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S.S. "Muttra," 4,644 tons, Capt. Holman, will be despatched for SPORE, PENANG, RANGOON & CALCUTTA, on 9th May.

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" " " "	Spezia	1st June
" " " "	C. Ferd. Laeisz	2nd June
" " " "	Senegambia	3rd June
" " " "	Scandia	4th June
For Victoria, V'vor, S'hai & P'land	Sambila	17th May
" " " "	Saxonia	18th May
" " " "	Suevia	19th May
" " " "	Alesia	20th May
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For Havre, Emden, & Hamburg	Uckermark	15th May
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For M'les, H'ro, B'men & H'burg	Allmark	28th May
For R'dam, Hamburg & A'werp	Brasilila	6th June
For Havre & Hamburg	Furst Bulow	5th June
For R'dam, Hamburg & A'werp	Wuerttemberg	19th June
For Marseilles & Hamburg	Sudmark	23rd June
For Havre Emden & H'burg	Segovia	4th July
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Tilaroem	JAPAN	2nd half May	JAVA	2nd half May
Tilmah	JAVA	2nd half May	JAPAN	2nd half May
Tibodas	JAVA	2nd half May	JAVA	1st half June
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MAIL SCHEDULE

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Empire	2nd May.	29th May, 10 a.m.
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FOR SWATOW.

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High Appreciation.
The Imperial Merchant Service Guild have been notified by the Board of Trade that the Merchant Shipping Advisory Committee expired on the 25th of March last, and they have expressed their high appreciation of the services rendered by the representative of the Guild on this Committee, Captain George N. Hampson. In compliance with their request that the Guild should now further nominate a representative on the re-appointment of the Committee, the name of Captain Hampson has once again been submitted by unanimous vote of the Management Committee. Captain Hampson is a gentleman who had great experience in responsible positions on board ship and is well-known for his strenuous advocacy of the claims of the nautical profession.

Rival Indian Ports.
In a statement recently published by Mr. G. C. Buchanan, Chairman of the Rangoon Port Trust, containing a table of the comparative charges at the principal ports in India some of the figures given were such as to convey the idea that Bombay is a much cheaper port than Karachi.

As this adverse comparison is strongly challenged in Karachi the Chairman of the Karachi Port Trust undertook to investigate the matter, and he has now arrived at the conclusion that, while the figures published by the Chairman of the Rangoon Port Trust are correct in themselves, they convey an incorrect impression, in so far as the basis of comparison is irregular. Karachi is a cheap port, according to Mr. Mules, the Chairman of the Karachi Port Trust, because it is a quick port. An instance is given of a vessel arriving in Karachi, going into berth, loading 4,760 tons of cargo and sailing out of harbour again in two days clear. The implication apparently is that such rapidity of despatch is unattained at Bombay.

Mr. Mules concludes as follows:—This is a selected case, but instances of rapid despatch are numerous, and it is that rapidity which in fact makes Karachi a cheap port for business. It is unnecessary, in my opinion, to labour the point. Those who are acquainted with the subject will readily recognize how matters stand, and that an immense saving is effected in salaries, stores, etc., by the rapidity of discharging and loading cargo at Karachi, while of course a most important factor in very many cases is the saving of time, stores, coal, wages, etc., owing to Karachi being 200 miles nearer to Aden than Bombay, making a difference of 400 miles on the outward and homeward voyages.

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Hamburg & Antwerp &c.	Arabia	H. A. L.	14, May
Havre, Emden & Hamburg	Uckermark	H. A. L.	15, May
Trieste, via Singapore, Penang, Colonbo, etc.	Bjhemia	S. W. Co.	15, May
Marseilles, Antwerp, Rotterdam, Hamburg & Bremen	Sigmaringen	M. Co.	16, May
London, Rotterdam & Antwerp	Cardshire	J. M. Co.	18, May
Marseilles via Porto	Dumbear	M. M.	19, May
Havre, D'kirk, & Hamburg	Schwartzburg	H. A. L.	19, May
Marseilles via S'gon, S'pore, C'bo, Port Said	Cordillere	M. M. Co.	19, May
M'les, L'don, A'werp via S'pore etc.	Kaga M.	N. Y. K.	20, May
P'dam, Hamburg & Antwerp	Brigavie	H. A. L.	22, May
London, Hull and Antwerp	Glengowan	S. T. Co.	22, May
Havre, Bremen and Hamburg	Aitmark	H. A. L.	1, June
Rotterdam, & Hamburg	Brasilis	H. A. L.	6, June
Havre, & Hamburg	Furst Bulow	H. A. L.	6, June
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V'toria, B'O, T'ma via Japan &c.	Tacoma M.	O. S. K.	14, May
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Boston & New York	Kioto	B. L.	25, May
San F'co via Manila & Japan &c.	China	C. P. R.	27, May
V'toria, B.C., T'ma via S'hai &c.	Panama M.	O. S. K.	27, May
V'toria, V'vor, S'tle & P'land	Cardshire	J. M. Co.	28, May
Vancouver, &c.	E. of India	C. P. R.	28, May
V'toria, V'vor, S'tle, T. & P.	Cardshire	J. M. Co.	28, May
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Australian Ports via Manila	P. Waldemar	M. & Co.	16, May
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Kobe and Moji	Dunera	B. & S.	11, May
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	Taming	B. & S.	12, May
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Swatow, Amoy and Fochow	Haiyang	D. L. Co.	12, May
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Shanghai	Shaozhong	B. & S.	12, May
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Swatow, Amoy & Fochow	Haiching	D. L. Co.	15, May
Y'hama, Kobe and Moji	Japan	D. S. Co.	16, May
Manila	Yuesang	J. M. Co.	16, May
Bombay via S'pore etc.	Annam M.	O. S. K.	16, May
S'pore, Pang, R'gon & C'utta	Sanuki M.	N. Y. K.	16, May
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Manila, Mangarin, Cebu & Iloilo	Zafiro	S. T. & Co.	22, May
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Freemantle	Sulsang	J. M. Co.	28, May
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The C. P. R. s.s. MONTEAGLE left Yokohama on the 18th ult. between 2 & 4 p.m.
The C. P. R. s.s. EMPRESS OF ASIA left Vancouver on the 3rd May, between 8 & 8 p.m.
The C. P. R. s.s. EMPRESS OF INDIA left Vancouver on the 30th April.
The C. P. R. s.s. EMPRESS OF JAPAN left Kobe on the 7th ult. at noon and was due to arrive at Shimizu on the 8th inst. at 5 a.m.

AMERICAN MAIL.

The P. M. s.s. KOREA will be despatched from this port on the 9th May, at 1 p.m. for San Francisco, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Shimizu, Yokohama and Honolulu.
The P. M. s.s. NILE arrived at San Francisco on the 23rd April.
The P. M. s.s. CHINA sailed from Yokohama for Hongkong on the 8th inst. at noon, via Manila. The United States mail has been transferred to the Nippon Yusen Kaisha's s.s. SANUKI MARU scheduled to arrive at Hongkong on the 14th May.

AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The E. & A. s.s. ST. ALBANS left Sydney for this port (via Queensland Ports, Port Darwin, Timor and Manila) on the 29th Apr. and may be expected to arrive here on or about 23rd May.
The I. G. M. s.s. COBLENZ left Sydney on the 2nd inst. at 2 p.m. and may be expected here on or about the 24th inst.

GERMAN MAIL.

The I. G. M. s.s. LUTZOW which left here on the 30th Apr. at 8 p.m. arrived at Shanghai on the 3rd inst. at 8 a.m.
The I. G. M. s.s. PRINCESS ALICE which left here on the 28th Apr. at 3 p.m. arrived at Singapore on the 5th inst. at 8 a.m.
The I. G. M. s.s. PRINZ LUDWIG carrying the German Mail with dates on board of the 15th Apr. left Colombo on the 3rd inst. and may be expected here on or about the 14th inst.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The N. Y. K. s.s. HAKATA MARU (Calcutta Line) left Calcutta for this port on the 21st Apr. and is expected here on the 10th May.
The N. Y. K. s.s. AKI MARU (American Line) left Yokohama for this port on the 10th May.
The N.Y.K.s.s. SADO MARU (American Line) left Seattle for this port on the 21st Apr. and is expected here on the 24th May.
The N. Y. K. s.s. KITANO MARU (European Line) left London for this port via ports on the 25th Apr. and is expected here on the 3rd June.
The s.s. JAPAN sailed from Calcutta on the 25th ult. and may be expected here on or about the 11th May.
The I. C. S. N. s.s. WINGANG from S'hai is due at H'kong on the 10th May.
The I. C. S. N. s.s. TAKSANG from S'hai is due at H'kong on the 11th May.
The I. C. S. N. s.s. CHIFSHING from Choofoo is due at H'kong on the 12th May.
The S. L. s.s. DENBIGHSHIRE from S'pore is due at H'kong on the 12th May.
The S. L. s.s. OARDIGANSHIRE from Shanghai for Hongkong via Nanking is due at Hongkong on the 15th May.
The S. L. s.s. CARNARVONSHIRE from London is due at Hongkong on the 25th inst.
The s.s. DUNERA sailed from Calcutta on the 1st May, and may be expected here on or about the 17th inst.
The German s.s. RAJAH left Sandakan on the 5th inst. and may be expected here on or about the 10th inst.
The s.s. KATHLAMBA left Singapore on the 5th inst. and is due here on the 10th inst.
The s.s. TORILLA from Shanghai and Kobe left Moji yesterday morning and may be expected here on or about the 10th inst.
The s.s. RUBI left Manila on the 6th inst. and is due here on the 9th inst. at 8 a.m.
The A. O. Line s.s. CHANGSHA left Sydney on the 5th inst. for Hongkong (via Queensland ports, Darwin, Zamboanga and Manila) and may be expected to arrive here on or about 28th May.

VESSELS IN PORT.

Steamers.

Anhui, Br. s.s. 1,355, J. B. Harris, 27th ult. Shanghai, 23rd ult. Gen.—B & S.	Bechnang, Br. s.s. 1,124, Bulkeley, 27th ult.—Manoran, Coal—D. & Co.	Hulohow, Br. s.s. 1,216, M. Shau, 27th ult.—Seunken, 20th ult. Gen.—B. & S.	L. Schell, Ger. s.s. 1,012, A. Struve, 27th ult.—Salgon, 23rd ult. Rice—S. & Co.	Aldenharn, Br. s.s. 2,410, G. L. Smith, 28th ult.—Kobe, 22nd ult. Gen.—O. L. & Co.	Kirin Maru, Jap. s.s. 2,358, M. Nakamura, 30th April—Moji, Common—N. Y. K.	Lutow, Ger. s.s. 4,115, H. Teator, 29th ult.—Bremen, 18th March, Gen.—M. and Co.	Bohemia, Aus. s.s. 4,300, Meerana, 30th ult.—Singapore, 25th ult. Gen.—S. W. & Co.	Chingchow, Br. s.s. 1,195, J. Doyle, 1st inst.—Kwang-yen, 29th ult. Cement Stone—S. T. & Co.	Minnesota, Am. s.s. 2,071, J. W. Faddock, 1st inst.—Seattle, 28th Mar. Gen.—G. W. S. & Co.	Albiana, Br. s.s. 2,408, Wm. Dunbar, 1st inst.—Ching-wan-tao, 24th ult. Coal—D. & Co.	Empire, Br. s.s. 2,843, E. Filohor, 2nd inst. Sydney, 25th Mar. Gen.—G. L. & Co.	Chowlat, Ger. s.s. 1,115, G. Gathemann, 2nd inst.—Swatow, 1st inst. Gen.—B. & S.	Borneo, Ger. s.s. 1,355, J. Koehler, 3rd inst.—Sandakan, 27th ult. Gen.—M. & Co.	Fulching, Chinese s.s. A. B. Baifia, 3rd inst.—Shanghai, Gen.—C. M. S. N. & Co.	Kumsang, Br. s.s. 2,017, Wheeler, 4th inst.—Moji, 29th ult. Coal—J. M. and Co.	Nikko Maru, Jap. s.s. 3,440, R. Takeda, 4th inst.—Nagasaki, Gen.—N. Y. K.	Promelana, Norw. s.s. 1,042, Jenson, 4th inst.—Bangkok, 27th ult. Rice—Chinese.	Loval, Br. s.s. R. Glegg, 4th inst.—Moji, 29th ult. Coal & Gen.—J. M. & Co.	E. of Russia, 8,789, W. Davison, 5th inst.—Vancouver, 16th ult. Gen.—C. P. R. Co.	Heijo Maru, Jap. s.s. 2,456, S. Okutani, 5th inst.—Kohsichang, 25th ult. Rice—A. Buns.	Indraamha, Br. s.s. 3,338, Jones, 5th inst.—Shanghai, 1st inst. Gen.—J. M. & Co.	Loongsang, Br. s.s. 1,093, W. G. G. Leath, 5th inst.—Manila, 2nd inst. Gen.—J. M. & Co.	Phu Yan, Fr. s.s. 1,292, Ribault, 6th inst. Saigon, 1st inst. Rice & Gen.—B. & Co.	Daijin Maru, Jap. s.s. 899, K. Murakami, 6th inst.—Swatow, 5th inst. Gen.—A. S. K.	Kausang, Br. s.s. 1,410, Malkin 6th inst.—Saigon, Gen & Rice—Chinese.	Heinching, Chinese, 1,007, D. D. Ross, 6th inst.—Choofoo, 1st inst. Gen.—C. M. S. N. & Co.	Hitschi Maru, Jap. s.s. 4,114, T. Laton, 6th inst.—Singapore, Gen.—N. Y. K.	Ixion, Br. s.s. 6,526, Reiponhansen, 6th inst.—Manila, 4th inst. Gen.—B. & S.
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TIDE TABLE.

4th Apr. to 10th May, 1914.

Day	High Water	Low Water	Day	High Water	Low Water
4th	4.15	1.15	11th	4.15	1.15
5th	4.15	1.15	12th	4.15	1.15
6th	4.15	1.15	13th	4.15	1.15
7th	4.15	1.15	14th	4.15	1.15
8th	4.15	1.15	15th	4.15	1.15
9th	4.15	1.15	16th	4.15	1.15
10th	4.15	1.15	17th	4.15	1.15

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SUMMER EXCURSIONS

TO JAPAN

BY THE STEAMERS OF
CANADIAN PACIFIC S.S. LINE.
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TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

GOING AND RETURNING WITHIN PERIOD
1st JUNE—31st OCT.

RATES FROM HONGKONG:

NAGASAKI \$120.00. KOBE \$135.00. YOKOHAMA \$150.00.

Tickets are interchangeable for return by any steamer of above-named Companies and include Rail between Japan Ports of call if desired.
Passengers may go and/or return VIA MANILA without additional charge by steamers calling at that Port, as indicated in schedule of sailings above. Below The Steamers operated by the Companies named are the largest, fastest and most luxurious on the Coast.

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From JAPAN.				To JAPAN.				
Y'HAMA LEAVE	Kobe LEAVE	NAGASAKI LEAVE	H'ONG ARRIVE	STEAMER.	H'ONG LEAVE	NAGASAKI ARRIVE	Kobe ARRIVE	Y'HAMA ARRIVE
—	—	—	—	MANCHURIA...	4 June	18 June	24 June	18 June
—	—	—	—	E. OF ASIA	10 "	14 "	21 "	16 "
—	—	—	—	TENYO MARU	16 "	20 "	23 "	13 "
—	—	—	—	RULE	22 "	26 "	29 "	19 "
3 June	6 June	6 June	11 June	NIPPON	27 "	31 "	1 July	25 "
11 "	12 "	14 "	10 "	E. OF JAPAN	28 "	30 "	2 "	4 "
18 "	19 "	21 "	17 "	CHUGO MARU	34 "	37 "	3 "	6 "
25 "	26 "	28 "	16 "	MONTREAL	3 "	7 July	8 "	11 "
27 "	28 "	30 "	22 "	E. OF INDIA	10 "	16 "	18 "	20 "
30 "	31 "	1 July	25 "	H'ONG MARU	16 "	20 "	24 "	28 "
3 July	5 July	5 July	6 July	PERMA	11 July	17 July	10 July	40 "
10 "	11 "	13 "	8 "	TENYO MARU	17 "	21 "	24 "	1 Aug
13 "	14 "	16 "	11 "	E. OF INDIA	23 "	27 "	30 "	1 Aug
15 "	16 "	18 "	13 "	KOREA	25 "	29 "	1 Aug	2 "
18 "	19 "	21 "	16 "	CHUGO MARU	31 "	4 Aug	3 Aug	7 Aug
21 "	22 "	24 "	19 "	RIBERI	4 "	8 "	11 "	15 "
24 "	25 "	27 "	22 "	NIPPON MARU	11 "	17 "	20 "	24 "
27 "	28 "	30 "	25 "	OHINA	17 "	23 "	26 "	30 "
30 "	31 "	1 Aug	28 "	MANCHURIA	23 "	29 "	31 "	4 Sept
3 July	7 "	9 "	24 "	E. OF ASIA	29 "	33 "	4 Sept	8 Sept
10 "	11 "	13 "	30 "	TENYO MARU	27 "	31 "	4 Sept	8 Sept
17 "	18 "	20 "	9 "	R. OF KUSSIA	3 Sept	7 "	11 "	15 "
18 "	19 "	21 "	16 "	MONTREAL	6 Sept	12 "	15 "	19 "
21 "	22 "	24 "	19 "	NIPPON MARU	12 "	18 "	21 "	25 "
24 "	25 "	27 "	22 "	MONGOLIA	18 "	24 "	27 "	31 "
27 "	28 "	30 "	25 "	E. OF INDIA	24 "	30 "	3 Oct	3 Oct
30 "	31 "	1 Sept	28 "	PERMA	30 "	36 "	4 Oct	8 Oct
3 Sept	4 Sept	6 Sept	10 Oct	CHUGO MARU	6 Oct	12 "	15 "	19 "
7 "	8 "	10 "	10 Oct	H'ONG MARU	12 Oct	18 "	21 "	25 "
14 "	15 "	17 "	11 "	KOREA	18 Oct	24 "	27 "	31 "
17 "	18 "	20 "	14 "	CHUGO MARU	24 Oct	30 "	31 "	4 Nov
20 "	21 "	23 "	17 "	H'ONG MARU	30 Oct	5 Nov	8 Nov	12 Nov
23 "	24 "	26 "	20 "	KOREA	5 Nov	11 Nov	14 Nov	18 Nov
26 "	27 "	29 "	23 "	CHUGO MARU	11 Nov	17 Nov	20 Nov	24 Nov

Public Auction.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,
AUCTIONEER, SHARE &
GENERAL BROKER

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on **MONDAY, the 11th May 1914,** commencing at 2.30 p.m. at his Sale Rooms, Duddell Street, a Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture & Canton Blackwood.

(Removed to Sale Rooms for convenience of Sale) comprising:

TAPESTRY COVERED DRAWING ROOM SUITE, EASY CHAIRS, BRASS FENDERS & FIRE BRASSES, FIRE SCREENS, BOOKCASES, HATSTAND, CARPETS, RUGS, LACE CURTAINS, ENGRAVINGS, ORNAMENTS, PICTURES, OCTAGONAL TABLES, etc., etc. TEAK DINING TABLES & CHAIRS, TEAK SIDEBOARDS, TEAK DINNER WAGGONS, OVERMANTELS, ICE CHESTS, COOKING STOVES, CUTLERY, CROCKERY & GLASS WARE, etc., etc. FINE TEAK DOUBLE & SINGLE WARDROBES, MARBLE TOP WASHSTANDS, DRASSING TABLES, CHEST OF DRAWERS, TOILET CROCKERY, etc., etc. DOUBLE & SINGLE BRASS AND BRASS MOUNTED BEDSTEPS, CHILD'S IRON COTS, etc., etc. A Fine Lot of Canton Blackwood

Comprising:— FINELY CARVED CURIO STAND, HALF ROUND TABLES, ARMCHAIRS, COUCH, JARDINIERS, STOOLS, WALL BRACKETS, etc., etc. ELECTRIC CEILING AND TABLE LAMP, 1 COMBINATION SAFE (new), 1 PIANOLA PIANO BY "STECK" & 1 COTTAGE PIANO BY "COLLARD" & 2 TREADLE SEWING MACHINES (new).

Terms:—as usual. On view from Thursday, the 7th May 1914. Catalogues will be issued.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on **FRIDAY, the 15th May 1914** commencing at 11 a.m. at his Sale Rooms, Duddell Street, a Selection of Prime Ostrich Feathers, each lot comprising one feather (ranging from 20-28 inches in length). On view from Tuesday, the 26th May, 1914.

Terms:—As Usual

N.B.—The above sale offers the public an unique opportunity of purchasing feather direct from a South African farm, and are only to be sold at Public Auction owing to ill health of owner.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

G. P. LAMMERT.

PARTICULARS and CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 11th day of May, 1914, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of Hongkong, of the right to quarry Stone on four Lots Crown Land at Ngau Shi Wan in the new Territories of Hongkong, for a period extending from the 11th day of May up to and including 31st day of December, 1914.

Lot	Quantity of Stone	Locality	Conditions	Time of Sale
1	100,000	Ngau Shi Wan	As per Conditions	11th May 1914
2	100,000	Ngau Shi Wan	As per Conditions	11th May 1914
3	100,000	Ngau Shi Wan	As per Conditions	11th May 1914
4	100,000	Ngau Shi Wan	As per Conditions	11th May 1914

Don't forget after the Show Supper and Light Refreshments at the **ALHAMBRA CAFE** Open till midnight.

Consignees

MOGUL LINE OF STEAMERS
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

The Steamship "MONTROSE" From GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL and STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of Holt's Wharf at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 11th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Under-signed on or before the 30th inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 11th inst., at 11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **DODWELL & Co., Ltd.** Agents.

Hongkong, 4th May, 1914. [551]

COMPAGNIE DES MAS-SAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

s.s. "MAGELLAN"

Consignees of Cargo from London ex s.s. "Normand"

Consignees of Cargo from Havre ex s.s. "Medoc"

In connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd. at Kowloon whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless intimation is received from the Consignees before NOON TO-DAY requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining undelivered after the 11th inst. at Noon will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 14th inst., or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on the 11th instant at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

P. THOMAS, Agent.

Hongkong, 4th May, 1914. [559]

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN, FREIGHT LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"HELGOLAND,"

having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and West Point Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless information is received from the Consignees before noon to-day requesting it to be landed here.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 10th of May will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 9th of May, at 9.30 a.m.

All claims must reach us before the 18th of May, 1914, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN & CO. Agents.

Hongkong, 4th May, 1914. [552]

USE C. N.

AND GUARD AGAINST PLAQUE

CHINA COMMERCIAL CO., Duddell St.

Consignees

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO. LTD.

From A. CUTLER, PENANG & SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"LOVAT,"

having arrived from the above Ports Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo, impeding the discharge or remaining on board after Noon the 7th inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.** General Managers.

Hongkong, 6th May, 1914. [58]

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

The Steamship

"BENLEDI,"

From ANTWERP MIDDLESBRO LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 13th inst., will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 20th inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 13th inst., at 11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,** Agents.

Hongkong, 6th May, 1914. [557]

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

s.s. "SIBERIA"

From SAN FRANCISCO JAPAN PORTS AND MANILA.

The above-mentioned vessel having arrived Consignees of cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bill of Lading for countersignature and take immediate delivery of cargo from alongside.

Cargo impeding discharge will be landed immediately at consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining undelivered Wednesday, May 13th, 1914 at 5 p.m. will, in addition to landing charges be subject to storage charges.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

All chafed and otherwise damaged cargo will be examined at the above Company's godown, Monday May 11th, 1914 at 10 a.m.

No claims will be entertained unless accompanied by short delivery note or list of exceptions taken at the time of delivery to consignees and signed for and on behalf of the Pacific Mail s.s. Co.

All claims must be filed on or before June 6th, 1914, otherwise they will not be recognized.

R. C. MORTON, Agent.

Hongkong 6th May, 1914 [556]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE Steamship

"MUTTRA,"

having arrived from the above ports, consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at consignees' risk and expense into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company Limited.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **DAVID SASSOON & CO., LTD.** Agents.

Hongkong, 7th May, 1914. [560]

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To Sail Regular Steamship Service Proposed Sailing from Hongkong For BOSTON & NEW YORK. s.s. "Chalister" on or about May, 15. For Freight and further information apply to **DODWELL & CO., LTD.** Agents. Hongkong 15th Apr, 1914. [97]

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NOTICE.

MR. AUGUST METZLER having left our employ by mutual consent ceases to sign our firm for procurement.

We have this day authorised **Mr. ALBERT NATHAN-SOHN**

Mr. FRANZ WEGMANN & Mr. LUDWIG VICTOR LANGSTEIN

to sign our firm for procurement.

ARNOLD KARBURG & Co. Hongkong & Canton, May 6, 1914.

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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH. EXTRA

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MAY 9, 1914.

SHORT STORY.

THE GOLD POT.

BY PAULINE WORTH HAMLIN

[This story of a western girl in New York is from *MacLure's* and will be found one of the most entertaining that has been published here for some time.]

—West 112th Street,
New York.

Dear Kit:

I have been in New York one week and it is the longest week I have ever known. I am at last comfortably settled, but oh what a time I had finding a place to live! You see, the places I wanted would not have me, and the other way around. The New York apartment houses are divided into two classes. In order to get into the one, you have to be so good that you would bore St. Peter; and in order to get into the other, you have to be so bad that you would shock Bernard Shaw. As I am a middle classer, I guess I will have to live on the roof. If you should decide that you would like to live in the house of the first part you must sign a lease that reads like the marriage ceremony, and you must swear with both hands on the Bible that you will never break it. On the other hand, if anyone should offer the landlord eighty-five cents more for the apartment than you are paying, you would have to either move out or raise the ante. Do I like New York? Ask an animal in a cage at a Zoo if he likes his quarters. Why, honey, I would give a five dollar William for just one breath from off that dear desert, or the sound of a host beat, or one neigh from old Black Eye. Now don't think that I am going to give up after I have put my hand to the plow, for I am not. Mr. Watson was here today, and he says that the chances are good for me to go on very soon and I am making the old fiddle hum about twelve hours a day.

You didn't mention Jim. Did he go to South Dakota, and Kit, is Dad still angry? They will both come around all right when I get famous.

—West 112th Street,
New York.

Dear Kit:

What do you suppose happened today? When I paid my rent I didn't ask the man for a receipt—you know we don't deal in receipts out in our country—so naturally it never entered my head. Well to-day he came and asked me again for the rent. I told him I had paid him and he said, "You have a receipt?" I told him no, that he had not given one. He shrugged his shoulders and said, "Very well then, you must pay." It made me pretty mad, my hair isn't red for nothing. What did I do? I simply walked to my dresser, took out my Gold's Automatic and gently but firmly told him that I should advise him to walk over to the desk and write a receipt for the money I had paid him. He walked. After he went away I lost all my nerve and cried of course and wished for Jim. Say Kit, don't you really know where Jim is? Haven't he been there since I left? He was offered the foremanship on the Double Z. Find out whether he took it, please dear.

—West 112th Street,
New York.

Dear Kit:

I am so glad there is a gas meter in my kitchenette—it keeps me company. It doesn't make

any difference whether I am using the gas or not, the meter clicks away merrily just the same. I'll tell you—"men may come and men may go, but the gas meter goes on forever."

I was a lonesome yesterday that I was even glad to see the cockroaches as they made their early morning parade.

You should see the people run for the trains, Kit. At first I thought there was only one train a day, but I have found out that they run about every two minutes and so do the people.

Thank you dear for the offer of money, but I struck out on my own responsibility against Dad's wishes and Jim's, and I am going to stick it out. I gave the greater part of my money to Mr. Watson for his services in placing me on the stage, but he hasn't been to see me for ten days. He must be ill. I know if I could play the old fiddle before the managers as I play it here inside these four walls when I'm homesick, they would take me on. Last night I tried to sleep but couldn't. I got to thinking of home, where any way we look we can see the sky touch the earth, where the hearts are as big as the great out-of-doors and every man's word is as good as his bond. The birds are singing there now, right now, aren't they Kit, and the Mariposa lilies are blooming, and oh Kit, it's God's country! Why, honey, here the people don't even have air that isn't breathed by a million other people. Nobody trusts anybody else, not the least little bit. The rooms are so small that you have to put your head out of the window to change your mind and then you bump into your neighbor's fire escape.

—West 112th Street,
New York.

Dear Kit:

Do you know what the word bohemian means? It's the polite term for gaffer. The bohemian goes around living off of the other fellow and pretends like it's bohemianism. I want to tell you about the people next door. They are not New Yorkers, they have hearts—yes, real hearts—not a bunch of excess baggage. They found out that I was alone and they have put themselves out to be nice to me. I remember mother used to say, wherever you go in this world, you will always find people with hearts of gold. Mrs. Sullivan gave me a rose today. Now, you may think that's a measly little thing—you who can pick an armload from your bedroom window, but I want to tell you that to me it is a princely gift. Its coloring is exquisite and its fragrance is so wonderful that when I breathe it in, I can see our garden at home with its hundreds and hundreds of roses. I can smell them and can feel their soft petals—and Kit—my heart cries out:

"I want to go home where the robins sing.
Where the air is sweet with the breath of spring,
Where a feeling of peace is in everything—
I want to go home. I want to go home."

Why don't you tell me about Jim? You are giving up in saying that I didn't love him or I wouldn't have left. Mr. Watson says my imitation of the birds alone will make my fortune. No, he hasn't come yet. I think something must have happened to him. I can't believe that any man would cheat a girl out of

money. I'm going to move tomorrow, Kit; next time address me at—East 33rd Street.

East 33rd Street,
New York.

Dear Kit:

No, I am not in the worst part of the town at all. I merely moved so I could be nearer to the theatres and save car fare. I am sending back your draft dear. In the first place I don't need it, and in the second place I could never get a draft cashed. There is no one in this great full, empty city to identify me. When you send money to this chicken you'll have to send it in greenbacks—certified greenbacks. I would give a nickel to see a silver dollar—haven't seen one since I left home. My, how rich I feel here when I have three paper dollars. I roll the bills up and crum them into my little pocketbook and then sit and look at it.

This place surely has all modern inconveniences. The view from my window is magnificent—seven fire escapes filled with milk bottles, beer bottles, garbage cans and various and sundry packages of various and sundry sizes. I was looking them over this afternoon and wondering what would happen if there should be a fire. I guess nothing but the fire would escape. You know when I first came, I thought they were open-air refrigerators. Mr. Watson has not come back so I am interviewing managers myself. They are quite different from what I pictured them, but never mind, Kit, my chin is square.

—East 33rd Street,
New York.

Oh Kit:

I have an engagement! It is not the kind I want but will keep me eating a little longer. I am playing in a moving-picture show. I will tell you how it came about. There is a woman in the basement next to me who is dying with consumption and who hasn't any money except the twelve dollars a month that Uncle Sam gives her in exchange for her husband. Sometimes I wonder what makes Uncle Sam so generous. He will go broke if he doesn't look out. Well, she heard me playing and sent for me and asked me to play "The Old Kentucky Home." I went in and talked to her, and she said that her daughter, who died, played, and she had always kept her violin although she could have sold it at a good price because it is a fine one and very old. She brought it out and asked me to play on it, and I did. Kit, when I held that dead girl's violin in my hands and looked into the face of her mother, I played that "Old Kentucky Home" a thousand times better than I have ever played before a manager. When I got through, Mrs. Deyo said, "Take it, dear—you have earned it." Just then there was a knock at the door and a man came in and asked who was playing. He said he owned a moving-picture show and would put me on—so to-night I shall appear.

—East 33rd Street,
New York.

Dear Kit:

No, I am not living in a basement, and even if I am, it is a great deal cooler. Whatever made you think such things? Please don't tell me about the round-up or about the dance at the Kettle Ranch, but please do tell me where Jim is. Why do you keep him up your sleeve so religiously? You say you think he went to South Dakota, but you don't know surely. Don't tell me that Dad looks lonesome and haggard; it makes me feel that I ought to go home, but Kit, all roads to fame are hard and mine is no exception. Thanks, honey, for the silver dollar. I wouldn't give it for ten paper ones. Paper dollars seem to me like street car transfers.

My moving-picture show didn't pan out very well. The people liked the music, but I couldn't

stand the manager. He wanted me to dine with him. I told him that I always dined at home (a bottle of milk on the fire escape). He insisted, however, and when I repeated my refusal he grew angry and said I could go to dinner with him or quit my job. I told him that I was very sorry I had misunderstood him but I thought I had been hired to play the fiddle, not to dine with him, so I left. I laughed all the way home about it—for Kit that man is old enough to be my father. He has black beady eyes and chin whiskers; he rubs his hands together and talks like a nanny goat.

—East 33rd Street,
New York.

Dearest Kitten:

All day long I have been thinking of you, for I remember that it is just two years ago to-day since you lost your sweetheart. I am hoping that time has softened the sad memories and that you are happy again, but after all, we never get away from the sorrow that has been real, no matter how wholeheartedly we throw ourselves into the doing of the things around us.

I remember when I went to you and tried to say something that would count, how you looked at me and said that you had come to a stone wall that you could neither scale, dig under nor go around, and I remember how I told you to try making a flower garden at the foot of the wall. You have done that, dear, and I am thinking that you are gathering already, glowing armfuls of sweetest roses, heartsease and mignonette. After all, yours is a sweetness that has come from keenest suffering—and so shall suffering ever have its place in this scheme of things entire. When I think of your courage and brave heart in the midst of your sorrows, I am reminded of Mrs. Browning's lines from "The Mask"

"Grief taught to me this smile, she said,
And wrong did teach this jesting bold;
These flowers were plucked from a garden bed,
While a death chime was tolled."

I can see how through the bitter suffering of his death, you have become more tender and sympathetic for the grief of others.

—East 33rd Street,
New York.

Kit Dear:

So Dad sold the automobile because it hurt the feelings of the horses. How I laughed when I read your letter. And Dad says he isn't sentimental. Wasn't it funny for the boys to lasso the wheels when he drove it over to the round-up? I met the oddest man yesterday who had such strange ideas of the West. He asked me how I happened to be educated. I told him that my father was a Princeton man and he believed that education was a good thing. He gasped. Then he asked me if there was such a culture in the West. I told him that most of the Western people were from the East originally, and that they liked the West so much better than the East, they stayed out there—but that not more than ninety-eight per cent. of them were educated. I also told him that there were churches in Denver and schools in San Francisco. He said he was in Detroit once, I'll bet if Detroit had found it out that—but I'm getting my spirit up, as Jim used to say, so I'll stop and talk about something else.

This I have decided, Kit, that Jim is the one who does not care. Fancy Jim giving up a girl without a word if he cared. He wouldn't have kept silent this long—he couldn't.

I am glad my letter helped you, dear. I thought afterward that perhaps it would have been better if I had not stirred the memories. I am glad you feel so sweetly about it.

—East 33rd St., New York.

Dear Kit:

Your second letter brought me to the realizing sense that I am neglecting my best friend because I'm traveling a rook road, but my letters have been such a wait that I thought I would give you a rest. I am sorry you were so worried. Please don't worry about me; if worst comes to the worst, I will make apple pies for a hotel. I am beginning to think that an apple pie is my only real accomplishment anyway. I wonder if it would do any good?

—East 33rd St., New York.

Dear Kit:

Do you remember when we used to go over to Denver as children and wish we were salesladies when we saw the wonderful maidens behind the shop counters in such resplendent attire? Well, I've burned out that fuse too. I've been working in a five-and-ten-cent store for four days. I am getting five dollars a week and it costs me eight to live. Fuzzle picture—find the other three dollars. The first day I was very energetic. I hustled around in good shape and looked with reproach upon the girls who sat back and let the customers do the work. The second day I slowed up a trifle and to-day I let the customers bring their purchases to me just like the other girls do—and to-night I am dying, Egypt, dying. I know now why they don't pay the girls enough to eat on. When the day's work is done the girls are too tired to eat. One girl told me if I stayed six months I would get six dollars a week. I told her if I stayed six months I would get six feet in the potter's field. I went to another manager last night and he told me that my playing was very ordinary, and that in this day and age you must be very extraordinary or you will not be in the race. He advised me to go home and said if I needed any assistance he would gladly give it. I asked him how he happened to be human.

—East 33rd St.,
New York.

Dear Kit:

Tell me truly is there a land where there are sunsets? Is there a land where you have daily evidences of your Maker's having been on this earth? Is there a land where the wind sighs through the trees, where the lowing of cattle makes life and where you get a smell of old earth occasionally? Here you can't see the sky and everything is paved, even the people. I will tell you what New York reminds me of—stagnant water. It's lovely from a distance but go up close and feel the rough edges and it's a different story. I remember once when Jim came on here, he wrote back that it was as lonesome as hell. Now, I have my own private opinion that hell is anything but lonesome, but just the same I agree with Jim. Suppose you know who I mean by Jim—from your letters I would never guess that you were acquainted with him. There I go again, scolding you when you are my best and only friend. Say, it was sweet of you to send the stamped envelopes. Of course they carry them in the post-office here, but your brand is so much better. If I were notching my gun for managers I would look like a nutmeg grater. I call on one every noon.

—East 33rd St.,
New York.

Dear Kit:

I have quit the five-and-ten-cent store and am playing in another moving-picture show. The manager wants to buy my violin. He says it is a Strad and he made me a good offer for it, but he will never have money enough to buy it. Poor little Mrs. Deyo (she is dead, Kit—died last week) with all her hardships never sold it and I am very certain that I never shall. I am taking care of a baby after my act—she belongs to one of the tight-rope performers and they have been

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playing in hard luck too, so I take care of the baby while the mother does foolhardy things and risks her life for the pleasure-loving populace. To-night she cut her foot on the wire but went through her act as if nothing had happened and when she got through her sandal was soaked with blood. I am thinking that times have not changed materially since they butchered people to make a Roman holiday. I asked her husband how he would like to go to Colorado and be a cow-puncher, and his face lighted up as if the spot light had been turned on it and he said, "Some day—ah, some day we will go to the land where people live." Don't you suppose your father could see him and advance his fare?

Yes, Kit, I do write to Dad. I write every week just as if I were hearing from him, but he has never written me but one letter. It said, "When you get over your fool notion of setting the river on fire, I'll send you money to come home on." Do you think I could give up after that? Why, Kit, I have to win—I just have to.

I met Mr. Watson on the Street to-day. He acted like a sheep-killing dog and tried to make an excuse. I said, "Don't crawl, Mr. Watson, I hate a crawler," and I left him to think it over.

—East 33rd Street,
New York.

Dear Kit:

I know I have neglected you but I've just been too busy to write and—yes, I will confess—to blue. To-day I met Madam Malbini, who has made quite a sensation here. I didn't know who she was, but happened to take to her in the park. She got my story out of me some way, I don't know how, and she said, "My dear girl, go back to Jim. He is worth more than anything else. Home and children are of more account than all the fame that the world can heap upon you, and the love of a true man, more than all other riches. I know, my dear. I gave up love and hunted fame. When I found it, it was as empty as a broken bubble. The greatest fame lasts but a day, while love remains when the day is done. Don't give up your life chasing gold pots at the end of rainbows, dear. Go home; you will find the gold pots there."

I wonder if she is right, Kit? I wonder. Some way I am beginning to think that she is. There have been lots of great men in this old world of ours, but the One who taught love is the One whom the world has revered through all the ages.

Hotel Plaza,
New York.

Kitten Dear:

When the judgment day comes and Gabriel blows his horn and all the people come crowding toward the gates, St. Peter will say, "Stand back all you good people until Katherine Baker passes in," because you are the best the earth holds.

Why didn't you tell me that Jim was here all the time watching my every move and reporting daily to father? No wonder you didn't know certainly where he was. He would have to be as agile as a California flea to keep track of me. Wait a minute, don't be in such a hurry, I am telling you about it as fast as I can.

You know I have not written for quite a while. Everything has been going wrong and I got to the place where I didn't care whether I lived or died, with a leaning toward the latter. Now, here's the truth, Kit. I hadn't had anything to eat but milk for two days and I was buying it by the pint. I was sitting in my 2x4 room one night with a bad case of brain storm and heart storm combined when the janitor came down and said there was a telephone call for me. Of course I didn't believe him, but hated to let him know it, so I went up.

Don't ever talk to me again about music. The music that came over that telephone was the sweetest that has ever fallen upon my ear, for it was Jim's voice! Jim! My own big, western Jim, and it said, "Hello, Daisy, honey, will you marry me to-night?" I said, "Yes, Jim, I will, just as quick as I change my collar." He was in the room in five minutes, and I cried it all out on his shoulder and then—Dad came in. I don't want Heaven to be any nicer.

We are coming home, Kit, coming home just as soon as I get some new clothes, and as soon as we order a headstone put up at Mrs. Deyo's grave, and as soon as Jim thrashes the manager of the moving-picture show and Dad gives all the Sullivan children a bank account, I've shipped the tight rope man with his wife and baby out to the ranch, and I am going to go back to the five-and-ten-cent store to tell all the girls I am Mrs. Jim Walton and give each one of them five dollars of Jim's money. Good-by, true-heart. I will see you next week and all the weeks that follow it, and when I get through squeezing you, there won't be enough left of you to squeal.

Have written a note to Madam Malbini saying, "I have found the Gold Pot—it is Home."

"S. O. S."

Mistake About the Siberia Explained.

Captain G. E. Warner, of the Shire Line str. *Cardiganshire* lately arrived in Shanghai, gave some information to the *N. C. Daily News* which helps to throw light on the mysterious report that the P. M. S. *Siberia* was in need of assistance.

At 5 p.m. on May 1, when the *Cardiganshire* was in the region of the Sables, the wireless operator reported to Capt. Warner that he had just received from the Ozeaki Station the signal "S.O.S." (Stop other communications. Ship in distress), after which followed the report of a supposed accident to the *Siberia* as it was published in Saturday's paper. Capt. Warner looked up the position on the map where the *Siberia* was supposed to be, namely, longitude 121.10 east, latitude 22.40 north, and it struck him at a time that such a position was a very strange one for the *Siberia*, as she would be clean off her course.

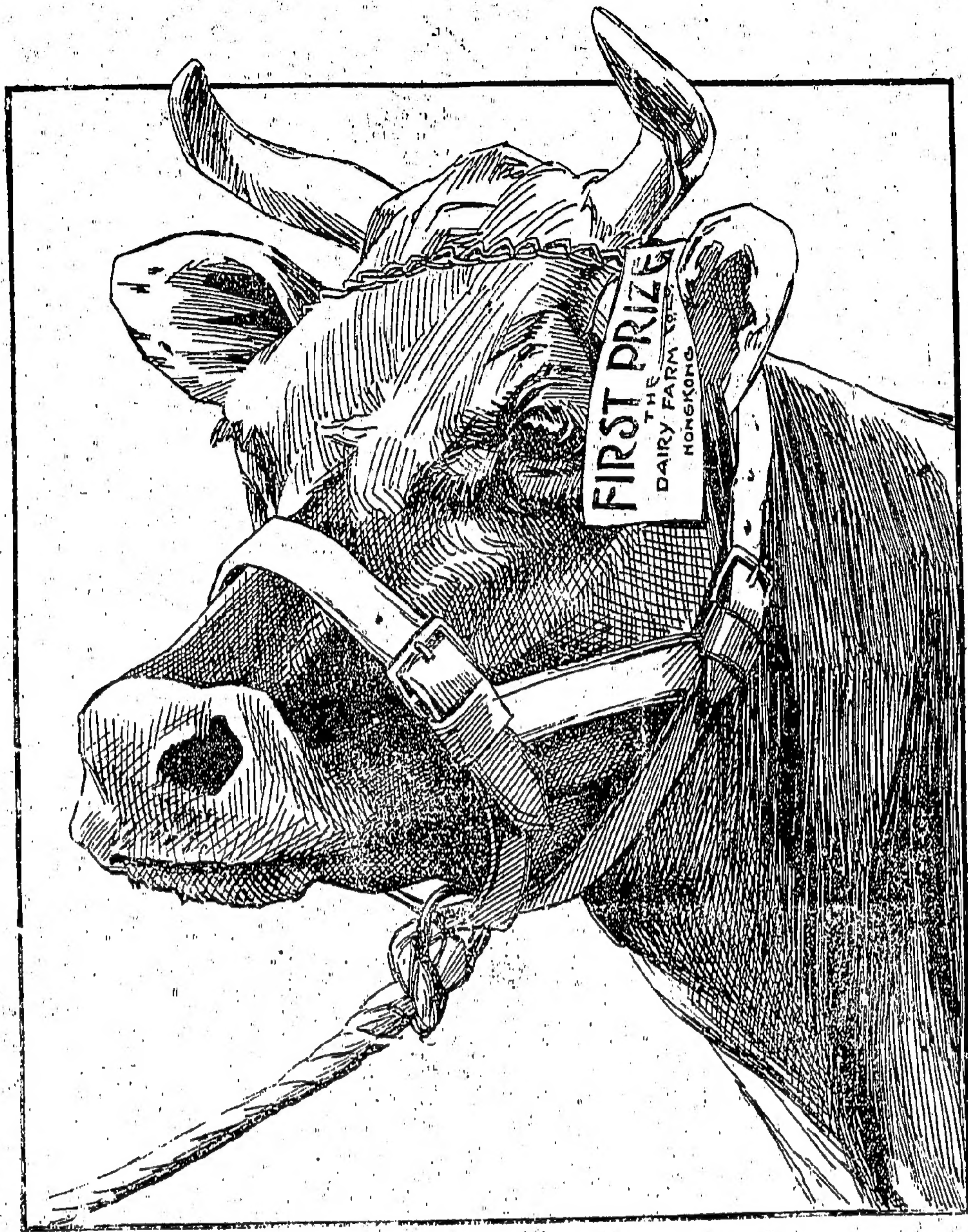
However, as he was about 900 miles from where the ship was supposed to be in distress, it was useless for the *Cardiganshire* to attempt any assistance.

At 10 a.m. the wireless operator reported to Captain Warner that he had just received a message from the Ozeaki Station that the previous signal of "S.O.S." sent out in the early morning had been found to be an error, no ship having sent this message, and another message having been mistaken for it.

The fact that such a mistake should have occurred is strange in view of the clearness of the "S.O.S." signal, which is formed by three dots, three dashes, and three dots, and so, of course, was selected for the sake of its clearness.

Passengers from Japan report that the news of the supposed accident was known in Nagasaki on the last instant, twelve hours before it reached Shanghai. The greatest anxiety was caused, as *Kasho Island*, where it was supposed that the vessel was ashore, is not only a very bad coast but is inhabited by extremely fierce natives. H. M. S. *Minotaur* was in readiness to go to the assistance directly any definite news could be obtained. It seems strange that, as far as our informant knows, the message from the Ozeaki Station reporting the mistake that had been made was not known in Nagasaki even two hours after it was received on board the *Cardiganshire*.

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HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MAY 9, 1914.

FOR THE LADIES.

OUR WEEKLY CAUSERIE ON WOMEN'S MATTERS

TROPICAL HUES IN HATS AND GOWNS—CHINESE INFLUENCE IN DRESS—RECIPES FOR THE HOUSEWIFE.

This is to be a spring and summer of fluffy ruffles, so the centres of fashion report. Many of the silk ruffles on the new gowns are made with a cord heading which gives an attractive finish. It is particularly old-fashioned and quaint, too. Speaking of quaintness, ruffles around the ankles attached to pantalets are among the oddities of yesteryear which are offered for adoption by a few dressmakers. These are a sort of bloomer which has budged out. Ruffles will take the most lovely cascade curves on the net waist if lightly wired along the edge with the almost invisible wire that now comes for this purpose.

The Reign of Colour.
Never were fashion's colours more exquisite than now. We are told that no fewer than eighty shades and colours have been introduced already this season for the benefit of milliners and dress designers. The dyes are surpassing themselves in lovely hues, and the Oriental influence, already so marked in draperies and sashes, is felt in the tropical colours of spring—lilac yellow, Spanish orange, and Tango, brilliant reds and blues and vivid greens.

Strong colourings, especially reds, are favoured in Paris, and there is also a craze for rose shades, varying from La France to deeper tints. Wine colour and turquoise are also popular, and cerise is still in favour. Among fashion's colours are the following tones: Venetian red, glow-worm green, willow green, coal blue, yolk yellow, oyster yellow, absinthe green, cinnamon pink, dahlia crimson, aquamarine blue, cigar brown, lettuce green, faded leaf yellow, petunia, power grey, azalea pink, china blue, mushroom white, orchid mauve, chestnut brown, silver grey, Chantrelle, lime green, delphinium blue, Spanish orange, tangerine yellow, porwinkle, brass yellow, dust grey, Copenhagen blue, and lion. From this list a woman may select any shade that suits her own colouring, for the range is wide and the new fabrics lend themselves to exquisite effects.

Two spring models shown lately in a fashionable Parisian house were lovely examples of colour. One was called "L'Heure bleue," and was carried out in one of the new grey-blue shades of panna. The other, "Reve d'Or," was a good-coloured panna with a hood collar of silver lace. Both were absolutely charming.

Chinese Influence in Dress.
The Russian influence in dress to which we owe some of our most charming styles last year, has now given place to Chinese. The national costumes of China are being copied in colour schemes and the value of the black background is one wrinkle we have learnt from our Celestial neighbours for our chintzes and decorations.

The Chinese collar, or, as some call it, the "horse" collar, is appearing on blouses and coats. It is a straight band of material about six inches wide, folded over and stitched to the bodice so that it stands up.

Strappings of Chinese embroidery in characteristic colours are seen as fastenings to the Manchu coats, and some belts owe their origin to the new influence.

Sleeveless Evening Gowns.
Some of the new evening

gowns have no sleeves whatever. Others have a series of chains in jet, gold, silver or jewelling, which fall over the top of the arms and rather accentuate than otherwise the absence of sleeves. On one gown of rose coloured crepe de chine the decollete is bordered with jet cabochons, and the "sleeves" are strings of cut jet beads about the size of marrowfat peas hung over the top of the arms. Chains of beads to match, trim the left side of the gown, falling from under the arm almost to the feet. There is a great fancy for this trimming, both on coats and dresses.

Hat over one Eye.
As to the new tilt of the hats (by the way all the latest shapes are if anything even smaller than their predecessors) it is also something so startlingly different that it will take some time to get used to it and more still to acquire the art of it. The hat must be almost precariously perched on the top of your head, the brim tilted down over the right ear and very high up above the left. The very latest trimmings for these jaunty little shapes include soft fringes and ruffles of ostrich feathers, stiff little blossoms and leaves of black or brightly coloured patent leathers, blossoms and fruits modelled in closely massed paillettes (mercifully of the softly shimmering and not the brightly shining variety), and others formed of closely entwined and alternating strands of plain or plaid-patterned straws and shaded beads to match.

Long Hatpins.
A milliner has told a standard representative that long hatpins are quite out of fashion. "They came in with the 'Merry Widow' hat," she said, "because it required a pin longer than the one in use at the time. When the large hat passed away the large pin, for some reason stayed, but you will never see one on a really fashionable woman."

"Two or three hatpins, five or six inches long, are all that are necessary. The heads should be small, and the stems should lie along the hat, not right across it. People who will still insist on long pins can get very pretty sheaths for the points—but they won't; they just disfigure a smart hat with a forest of spikes. I don't understand a woman so neglecting appearances."

In the long war that has been waged against it the hatpin has acquired quite a history. It has a long series of by-laws to its discredit; doctors are among its enemies; loss of sight and limb are among the evils laid at its door, and children are reckoned its most numerous victims. M. Lepine at one time had a collection of long hatpins, to each of which was attached a grim story of murder, suicide, and violent death.

Despite protest and fashion the long pin actually continues its ugly existence. It has been suggested that the only way to get rid of it would be to treat it as a "concealed weapon" and deal with it according to law. Recently the London tramcar authorities put up printed notices in their cars warning women against it, but a conductor merrily smiled when asked if he had noticed any good results. "I've seen people read it, that's all," he said, "but I still see just as many big pins about."

DAY BY DAY.

Dr. Crull Going Home.
Among the passengers by the s.s. Korea leaving for Home is Dr. Crull, the German Consul, Hongkong Christian Union.

The weekly meeting of the Hongkong Christian Union will be held at St. Paul's College, on Monday next at 5.30 p.m.

Dogs Barred.
The importation of dogs from Sham Chun into this Colony is prohibited for a period of three months from April 30, 1914.

Sale of Furniture.
Mr. G. P. Lammert is selling a quantity of valuable furniture and Canton blackwood at his sales rooms on Monday at 2.30 p.m.

Mr. G. Anderson Leaving.
Mr. G. Anderson, Consul General for the United States is due to leave for America by the s.s. Empress of Russia. He is going for business and private reasons.

Silk Delivered.
The T. K. K. Yokohama Office is in receipt of wireless communication to the effect that the silk despatched per s.s. "Tonyo Maru" on April 4 was delivered in New York on the 6th instant.

Mr. Beck Leaves.
Mr. J. M. Beck of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company left to-day for home by the s.s. Assaye on leave. During his absence Mr. Elwes will be in charge of the company's affairs here.

Auditors.
The Mr. S. G. S. Brinkworth and Mr. H. S. G. Lait, of Kots, have been added to the list of persons qualified to perform the duties of auditors under the Hongkong Companies Ordinance.

Junk Owner Fined.
At the Police Court, this morning, the junk owner who was charged with stealing metal from the s.s. Aldenham, was sent to goal for seven months and was ordered to be kept in the stocks for four hours.

Licensing Board.

Yesterday afternoon the adjourned meeting of the Licensing Board was held privately to consider the application of Mr. Martin for the transfer to him of the Belle View Hotel licence. The application was granted. The members of the board present were—The Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, president, Messrs. D. W. Craddock, C. G. Alabaster, E. Shelton Hooper R. O. Hutchinson and G. A. Woodcock, secretary.

Some Good Recipes.
Eggs a La St. Cloud.—Cut four hard-boiled eggs into 1/2 in. thick slices, remove the yolk, and place the whites carefully on to small rounds of toasted bread or plain milk biscuits; fill the cavities with a salpicon composed of dice-shaped pieces of gherkins, fillets of herring (marinated), and stoned olives, seasoned with mayonnaise sauce; arrange this neatly, and put a small round of Spanish pimento on top of each. Dish up, garnish with small sprigs of fresh parsley, and serve.

Poached Eggs in Jelly.—Poach the required number of new-laid eggs in salted water, containing a little lemon juice or vinegar. Stamp out each egg neatly and let cool. Mask a number of china or silver cocottes cases with clear aspic jelly, and place one egg in each; mask or coat the surface with aspic, then decorate the top neatly with thinly-cut slices of truffle and chervil leaves. When the decoration is set, pour over a good layer of aspic. Place the cocottes on the ice till required, then dish up and serve.

Hors d'Oeuvres.—Take some smoked sardines, two for each person, drain on blotting-paper, arrange neatly on small plates, garnish with minced capers and grated yolk of hard-boiled egg. Place a roll of very delicately-cut thin brown bread and butter at the side, and serve smoked sardines.

TELEGRAMS.

[The following telegrams arrived too late for insertion on Page 1.]

THE MEXICAN WAR.

GERMAN STEAMERS WATCHED.

[Reuter's Service To "The Telegraph."]

London, Received May 9.
Reuter's correspondent at Washington states that the Navy Department is investigating a report that two German vessels loaded with arms and ammunition for the Huerta faction are en route to Puerto Mexico. An effort will be made through the State Department to have Germany prevent the landing of munitions of war in Mexico from German ships.

Reuter's correspondent also telegraphs that the reply to President Huerta's protest to the United States Government states that it has taken no aggressive steps at Vera Cruz and has done nothing to violate the armistice.

DANISH ROYALTY.

VISIT TO ENGLAND.

London, Received May 9.
The King and Queen of Denmark are to arrive in London to-day on a visit to King George. The papers publish most cordial articles welcoming the Royal visitors.

HOME RULE.

EVE OF SETTLEMENT.

London, Received May 9.
Dr. Macnamara, speaking at Croydon, stated that the Irish question was on the point of a settlement which would be based on the ultimate unity of Ireland. Confagration created great disorder at the meeting, and twenty were ejected.

Rows of seats had to be removed because the women were padlocked thereto.

GOVERNMENT APPOINTMENTS.

The Government Gazette contains the following notifications:—His Majesty the King has been pleased to approve the appointment of the Honourable Mr. Alec Laming Churchill to be a Member of the Executive and Legislative Councils during the absence on leave of Honourable Mr. William Chatham, O.M.G.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. Eric William Hamilton to be a Justice of the Colony of Hongkong, with effect from the 1st March, 1914.

Mr. Philip Wallace Goldring was duly elected, at the Election held on the 1st instant in accordance with Government Notification No. 8, 118 of the 17th April, 1914, to be a Member of the Sanitary Board in the place of Mr. Francis Balmer Lyon Bowley, until he shall return or be able to resume his functions.

APRIL WEATHER.

A Month of Extreme Variations.

April was a month of marked variations in weather, in Hongkong according to the record of meteorological observations made at the Royal Observatory. The temperature varied from 87.2, on the 25th to 55.9, on the 3rd. The average humidity was 85, there were 114.4 hours of sunshine, and 4.46 inches of rain.

In a note at the foot of the tabular information, the Director (Mr. T. F. Claxton) says:—The maximum temperature in April, 1914, 87.2, was the highest on record except in 1890, when it was 88.6, and the minimum temperature, 55.9, was the lowest on record except in 1890 and 1905, when the figures were 55.8 and 51.8. The range of temperature in the month, 31.3, has only been exceeded on two occasions, namely, 33.0 in 1890 and 32.4 in 1905.

CHURCH SERVICES.

St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong.
—4th Sunday after Easter, 10th May, 1914. Holy Communion (8.30 a.m.) Matins (11 a.m.) Responses: Ferial, Venite: Farrant, Psalms: Monk, Felton and Elvey, Te Deum: Woodward, Smart and Turle, Benedictus: Langdon, Hymns: 225, 290, 504. Evensong (5.45 p.m.) (Full Choir) Responses: Ferial, Psalms: of the 10th evening, Magnificat: Maunder in G, Nunc Dimittis: Maunder in G, Anthem: "God be Merciful" Wesley; Hymns: 537, 229, Sevenfold Amen.

St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon.
—Fourth Sunday after Easter. Holy Communion at 8 o'clock a.m., Morning Prayer 11 a.m. Responses: Ferial, Venite: Farrant Day 10th, Psalms: 15 Elevey 16 to end month. Others as set, Te Deum: Hayes-Russell-Stainer, Benedictus: Hymns: 157, 155, 370. Evening Prayer 6 p.m. Hymns: 38 (Tune 194 A. M.) Responses: Ferial, Psalms: As set, Magnificat: Goodenough XXII Evening. Nuncdimittis: Foster VIII Evening. Hymns: 319, 151, 20.

Union Church, Kennedy Road.
—Morning 10.30. Hymns: 389, 581, 296, 51 Evening 6. Hymns: 392, 169, 142, 271. Preacher—Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald.

First Church of Christ Scientist.
—Macdonald Road.—Sunday: 11.15 a.m.; Wednesday: 6.30 p.m.

Wesleyan Methodist Church, Wanchai.
—Sunday Morning Service 10.15 a.m. Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.

Soldiers' and Sailors' Home.
—Arsenal Street, Sunday Evening, Gospel Service, 8 p.m.

German Services.—Berlin Foundling House. Pastor: Johannes Mueller.

Roman Catholic Cathedral, Glen.
—Low Masses at 6, 7 and 9.30 a.m. High Mass at 8 a.m. 5.30 p.m.—Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road.
—Mass and Sermon at 9 a.m., followed by the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Garrison Divine Service.—Church of England, Victoria, Cathedral 9.15 a.m., Chaplain, Church of England, Detention Barrack, Detention Barrack, 8.30 a.m., Chaplain, Church of England, Stonecutters, Barracks; Under Orders, Senior Officer, Church of England, Military Hospital, Bowen Road, 6.15 p.m., Chaplain, Church of England, Lyemun, Barracks, Under Orders, Senior Officer, Church of England, Kowloon, St. Andrew's Church, 10.0 a.m., Offg. Clergyman, Church of England, Mount Austin, Barracks, 10.30 a.m., Chaplain, Baptist, Victoria, Union Church, 10.30 a.m., Offg. Clergyman, Congregationalist, Victoria, Union Church, 10.30 a.m., Offg. Clergyman, Presbyterian, Victoria, Union Church, 10.30 a.m., Offg. Clergyman, Wesleyan, Victoria, Union Church, 10.15 a.m., Offg. Clergyman, Roman Catholic, Victoria, St. Joseph's Church, 10.0 a.m., Offg. Clergyman, Roman Catholic, Kowloon, Rosary Church, 9.0 a.m., Offg. Clergyman.

HONGKONG WATER POLICE.

The report on the Hongkong Water Police for last year, signed by Commander C. W. Beckwith, Assistant Superintendent, states:—

During the year the fleet has been strengthened by a fast motor patrol launch.

No. 1 launch, built in 1901, has had an extensive overhaul and is at present in good order and running well, her boiler is 13 years old and is showing signs of wear and tear. No. 2 launch, built in 1901, has had an extensive overhaul in 1913 and cost much more than was estimated owing to considerable damage being found on lifting out the boiler. The boiler of this launch is in a bad state and it is now considered unsafe to carry more than 100 lbs. steam pressure on it. No. 3 launch, built in 1902, has had an extensive overhaul in 1913 and is in good running order. No. 4 launch, built in 1906, and bought by Government in September, 1912, has had an extensive overhaul in 1913 and is in first class condition. Nos. 5 and 7 launches, built in 1906, are now running in good state of repair. Nos. 6 and 8 launches—new hulls to the old pinnaces' engines in 1911. These launches run very well and are in good repair.

No. 9 launch a 40 feet long, 9 feet beam motor boat, fitted with a 20/40 H.P. K. Ivin, 4 cylinder engine, built in April, 1913, has been out of action for the last 3 months owing to a valve spindle breaking and fracturing the cylinder bottom. This is now being recast and an improved method of attachment of valve to spindle has been adopted to prevent the possible re-occurrence of an accident of this nature.

The small motor boat attached to No. 4 Police launch has been overhauled and her hull caulked and strengthened; the engine runs very well at present. A high tension Bosch magneto will be fitted later. Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 launches have carried out extensive quarterly firing during the year with maximum and rifles at targets.

The system of signalling by day and night between the launches and shore stations have been constantly exercised during the year.

Messrs. Lamke and Rogge's freight circular, dated May 9, states:—

The freight market during the past fortnight has not undergone any change for the better. It was hoped that immediately Saigon Mills had satisfied outstanding contracts and were able to spare more grain for new business, we would see more activity in chartering from Saigon to this, but we regret to report that owing to the local Rice Market having collapsed, chartering operations in that direction have been suspended for the time being. During the earlier part of last week the rate Saigon to this declined from 20 cents to 19 cents, but at time of writing nothing better than 17 cents can be quoted for loading not earlier than the 17th of this month. There is also very little life indeed in other markets.

The market remains depressed, unless it is to the front for tonnage that the market is owing to the countering in the market is taken in January.

FREIGHT REPORT.

YARN MARKET.

Past Fortnight a Blank.

Messrs. Polishwalla and Kowall in their latest report state:—

So far as fresh business is concerned, the past fortnight may be said to have been a blank, the sales during the period amounting to the insignificant total of 500 Bales. Prices have again given way, and a further decline of \$1 has to be recorded. This decline is only in respect of the meagre transactions above referred to. We are making no alterations in our other quotations, as in the absence of business, it is impossible to gauge prices even approximately. The quotations we append overleaf must therefore be taken to be purely nominal. We close with a market hopelessly depressed and discouraging. Total sales 500 bales. Unsold Stocks 53,000 bales. Sold but not delivered in the Codown and to arrive 33,000 bales.

Arrivals.—"Sir," "India," "Nippon," "Bombay Maru" and "Colombo Maru" from Bombay, and "Sura," "Fooksang" and "G. Apoor" from Calcutta have brought in 10,530 bales for Hongkong and 5,700 bales for Shanghai. Shipments from Hongkong to Shanghai, and coast ports &c. nil.

Local Mill.—About 200 Bales of 10s and 12s at \$114/11s respectively.

Shanghai.—In the same depressed state as the local market. Japanese Yarn.—Sales of about 1,000 Bales 20s Yellow Joss and Setau at \$133 and \$138, respectively, all sold to arrive.

Raw Cotton.—No sales.

BANK RETURNS.

The returns of the average amount of bank notes in circulation and of specie in reserve in Hongkong, during the month April, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks, are:—

Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China.—Notes \$4,076,000, specie \$2,000,000.
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.—Notes \$20,891,033; specie \$15,500,000.
Mercantile Bank of India, Limited.—Notes, \$1,070,840; specie \$700,000.
Total.—Notes \$25,837,830; specie \$18,200,000.

313,257 tons during same period last year. Quotation stands for May/June shipment at \$4.08 per cwt. f.o.b. against \$4.02—same period last year.

Saigon/Philippines.—From inquiries put on our market two charters have resulted, 30,000 picul Manila oil and 25,000 picul Cebu.

Saigon for London could be effected.

FAR EASTERN NAVAL SQUADRONS.

HIS BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SHIPS ON THE CHINA STATION.

Name	Class	Tons	Guns	H.P.	Commander	Reported at
Clarity	Despatch-boat	1,700	12	2,000	Comdr. A. Coochrane	Hongkong
Atlas	Admiralty tug	—	—	—	Master W. West	Hongkong
Camble	Gunboat	710	2	900	Lt. Com. V. R. Brandon	Yangtze
Artemis	Gunboat	710	2	900	Lt. Com. W. H. Darwell	Hongkong
Cadmus	British sloop	1,070	6	1,400	Comdr. H. Williams	Shanghai
Cherub	Water tank and tug	390	—	300	Master H. Smith	Hongkong
Belmer	T. B. Destroyer	580	—	7,550	Lt. Com. H. T. England	Hongkong
Blio	British sloop	1,070	6	1,400	Comdr. MacKenzie, D.S.O.	Penang
Hampshire	1st class cruiser	10,850	10	20,500	Capt. H. W. Grant	Weihaiwei
Ged	Torpedo boat destroyer	618	4	1,200	Lt. Com. G. A. Mullock	Hongkong
Kinsha	River gunboat	—	—	—	Lt. Com. H. Marryatt	Yangtze
Kennett	Torpedo-boat destroyer	—	—	—	Lt. Com. Boddam Whetham	Hongkong
Merlin	Surveying ship	1,040	—	—	Lt. Com. C. J. Gibson	Labuan
Minotaur	1st class cruiser	14,800	—	27,000	Capt. E. B. Kiddle	Weihaiwei
Moorthen	River gunboat	180	2	800	Lt. Com. Alan Dixon	Hongkong
Newcastle	2nd class cruiser	4,800	12	22,000	Capt. Frederick A. Powlett	Shanghai
Nightingale	River gunboat	85	2	240	Lt. Comdr. M. Murray	Yangtze
Ribble	Torpedo-boat destroyer	590	—	7,500	R. W. Wilkinson	Weihaiwei
Robin	River gunboat	85	2	240	Lt. Comdr. Nash	West River
Robur	Depotship for submarines	980	—	1,400	Lt. Comdr. Cromie	Canton
Sandpiper	River gunboat	85	2	240	Lt. Com. I. S. Hutton	West River
Snipe	River gunboat	85	2	240	Lt. Com. Maurice Leslie	Yangtze
Taku	Torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	6,000	Gunner W. H. Byder	Hongkong
Teal	River gunboat	180	2	800	Lt. Com. Guy Stopford	Yangtze
Thistle	Gunboat	710	2	900	Lt. O. H. R. N. Cotrell Dormer	Yangtze
Triumph	—	11,915	—	12,500	Capt. P. Seratfield	Hongkong
Tamar	Receiving Ship	—	—	—	Comdr. Anstrutte	Hongkong
Uk	Torpedo-boat destroyer	590	—	7,500	Lt. Comdr. Maxwell	Weihaiwei
Virago	Torpedo-boat destroyer	355	6	6,300	Lt. Com. H. D. Adair Hall	Weihaiwei
Welland	Torpedo-boat destroyer	590	—	7,500	Com. Seymour	Weihaiwei
Whiting	Torpedo-boat destroyer	380	6	5,900	Lt. Com. R. Neville	Weihaiwei
Widgeon	Gunboat	195	2	800	Lt. Comdr. J. C. Borrett	Yangtze
Woodcock	Gunboat	150	2	500	Lt. Com. M. B. Blackwood	Yangtze
Woodlark	Gunboat	150	2	500	Lt. Comdr. Lloyd	Yangtze
O. 38	—	—	—	—	Lt. Com. Pope	Hongkong
O. 37	—	—	—	—	Lt. Com. McGillivie	Hongkong
O. 38	—	—	—	—	Lt. Com. J. G. Gaimes	Hongkong
T. B. 035	—	—	—	—	Lt. Com. Handley	West River
T. B. 036	—	—	—	—	Lt. Com. T. Burton	Hongkong
T. B. 037	—	—	—	—	Lt. Com. Nicol	Hongkong
T. B. 038	—	—	—	—	Lt. Com. H. W. Seymour	Hongkong

* Flagship of Admiral Jerram, K.O.B., C.V.O., C.M.G. Commander-in-Chief.

FOREIGN MEN-OF-WAR ON NORTH CHINA AND JAPAN STATION.

French.

Dupleix	Armoured cruiser	10,014	30	20,000	Capt. Vergos	Shanghai
Kléber	Armoured cruiser	9,700	12	19,800	Capt. Gourts	Hongkong
Decle	Gunboat	645	10	1,000	Lieut. Vandier	Saigon
Argus	River gunboat	180	6	570	Lieut. Dordet	Canton
Vigilante	Gunboat	123	7	560	Lieut. de Jervillier	Canton
Pého	Gunboat	130	—	—	Lieut. Collin	Tongka
Dondard de Lagree	Gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Dupuy Duteemps	Tchong-kin
* Flagship of Rear-Admiral Colloch de Kerillis, Commander-in-Chief, the French China Station						
Lynx	Submarine	—	—	—	Lieut. Bolnix	Saigon
Protee	Submarine	—	—	—	Lieut. Bolnix	Saigon
Stryx	Armoured gunboat	1,798	10	1,700	Lieut. Guillaume-Louis	Saigon
Eronde	Destroyer	350	7	303	Lieut. Aurillac	Saigon
d'Herville	Destroyer	—	—	—	Capt. de Frigate Rouisen	Hongkong
Pistolet	Destroyer	130	7	300	Comdr. de Marquessac	Saigon
Mousquet	Destroyer	307	6	300	—	Saigon
Manche	Surveying ship	1,625	10	9,000	Com. Voisin	Saigon

* Flagship of Commodore Boucaut, Commanding the local defence Indo-China.

German.

Emden	Cruiser	3,600	22	13,500	Capt. v. Muller	Tsingtau
Gneisenau	Armoured cruiser	11,600	36	26,000	Captain Brunnhauss	Tsingtau
Itis	Gunboat	900	12	1,300	Comdr. Sachse	Canton
Jaguar	Gunboat	900	12	1,300	Comdr. Loring	Shanghai
Leipzig	Cruiser	3,250	24	11,000	Capt. Haun	Shanghai
Lucas	Gunboat	900	10	1,350	Comdr. Thierichen	Hankow
Nurnburg	Cruiser	3,400	22	13,200	Capt. v. Schorberg	Tsingtau
Otter	River gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Lieut. Eirle	Yangtze
Scharnhorst	Flagship	11,600	36	26,000	Capt. F. Scholtz	Tsingtau
S. 90	Torpedo-boat	400	8	6,500	Capt. Lt. Brunner	Tsingtau
Taku	Torpedo-boat	280	4	6,000	Obt. z. S. v. Mauterger	Tsingtau
Tiger	Gunboat	900	10	1,350	Comdr. Boecker	Tsingtau
Tsingtau	River gunboat	223	4	1,300	Capt. Lt. v. Moller	Canton
Vaterland	River gunboat	223	4	500	Obt. z. S. Dressler	Yangtze

Portuguese.

Albatross	Cruiser	1,757	—	—	Capt. Annibal de S. Dias	Hongkong
—	Gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Martins	Macao
—	Gunboat	700	—	—	Capt. Luiz A. de Magalhães	Macao

UNITED STATES VESSELS.

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—	—	—	—	—	Ensign H. L. Rahel Daffer	—
—	—	—	—	—	Ensign R. L. Wood	—
—	—	—	—	—	Commander M. L. Bristol	Cruising
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—	—	—	—	—	Lieut. O. S. Keller	—
—	—	—	—	—	Ensign W. L. Beck	Canton
—	—	—	—	—	Lt. J. O. Gennings	Cavite
—	—	—	—	—	Com. J. W. Chase	Cruising
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—	—	—	—	—	Lt. Com. V. S. Gannon	Shanghai
—	—	—	—	—	Com. G. R. Maxwell	Shanghai
—	—	—	—	—	Lieut. V. B. Lowe	Cavite
—	—	—	—	—	Lt. Y. Horschach	Olongap
—	—	—	—	—	Ensign J. N. Peyton	Cavite
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—	—	—	—	—	Lt. Com. U. W. Coles	Canton
—	—	—	—	—	Com. P. Babin	Hongkong
—	—	—	—	—	J. H. Dayton	Shanghai
—	—	—	—	—	Com. E. H. Leigh	—
—	—	—	—	—	Lt. G. W. Haisp	—

MARKET PRICES.

Hongkong May 1, 1914.

BUTCHER MEAT.

Beef Sirloin & Prime Neck	Mei Lung Pa	lb 19
Corned—Ham	Yau Yuk	lb 18
Roast—Shiu	—	lb 19
Breast—Nga Lam	—	lb 15
Soup—Tong Yuk	—	lb 15
Steak—Nga Yuk Pa	—	lb 19
do.—Sirloin Cotom—Ng n Lan	—	lb 30
Sausages—Nga Chaug	—	lb 20
Bullock's Brains—(Know)	—	per set 10
Tongue fresh—Nga Li	—	each 60
do.—corned—Ham Nga Li	—	each 60
Head—Nga Tan	—	lb 30
Heart—Nga Sum	—	lb 14
Hump, Salt—Nga Kin	—	lb 10
Feet—Nga Kashi	—	lb 18
Kidneys—Nga Y	—	lb 10
Tail—Nga Moai	—	lb 10
Liver—Nga Kon	—	lb 18
Tripe (undressed)—Nga To	—	lb 14
Calves' Head & Feet—Nga-chai-tau-kark	—	set 8
Mutton Chop—Yeung Pei Kwat	—	lb 31
Leg—Yeung Pei	—	lb 25
Shoulder—Yeung Chau	—	lb 25
Pigs Chittlings—Chu Chong	—	lb 24
Brains—Chu Know	—	per set 27
Feet—Chu Kark	—	lb 2
Fry—Chu Chak	—	lb 12
Head—Chu Tau	—	lb 3
Heart—Chu Sum	—	each 18
Kidneys—Chu Liu	—	pair 10
Liver—Chu Con	—	lb 8
Pork Chop—Chu Pai Kwat	—	lb 24
Corned—Ham Chu Yuk	—	lb 23
Leg—Chu Pa	—	lb 27
Fat or Lard—Chu Yau	—	lb 24
Sheep Head and Feet—Yeung Tau Kark	—	set 70
Heart—Yeung Sum	—	each 7
Kidneys—Yeung Yiu	—	lb 10
Liver—Yeung Con	—	lb 25
Sacking Pigs, To Order—Chu Cha	—	lb 22
Suet, Beef—Sang Nga Yau	—	lb 18
Mutton—Sang Yeung Yau	—	lb 24
Veal—Nga Chai Yuk	—	lb 19
Sausages—Nga Chai Chaug	—	lb 20

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